

Bond Issue For Illmo

A bond issue of \$45,000 to provide waterworks for the city will be voted on at the polls Tuesday by citizens of Illmo. Fire insurance companies have threatened to withdraw unless protection is afforded.

SIKESTON STANDARD

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City Light, Power Plant Grosses \$13,000 Profit During First Six Months Operation

May 19, 1931 the first surge of electric power sped over the wires of the Municipal Light and Power Plant here to turn the wheels of Sikeston's industries and to light its homes and business houses.

On December 1, 1931, six months later, an audit completed this week, revealed that the plant had netted a gross profit of \$13,569.90, which, according to proponents of municipal ownership, is not at all bad for an infant industry just one-half year old.

It should be remembered that the City plant started from zero number of customers the first month, and gradually assumed more and more of the power and light load until now the plant supplies current to 1050 customers out of approximately 1250. The remaining 200 potential customers are being served by a privately operated high line corporation. With this fact in mind it should be obvious that the credit side of the ledger did not begin to show a definite, favorable trend until the plant had been in operation for approximately 60 days.

Under present operating conditions, however, with about 84 per cent of the entire load on its lines, the plant is averaging around \$2000 per month net profit. Dan G. Pepper, superintendent, cites the November and December revenues as proof for that statement. In November the total gross revenue amounted to \$5757.62 and expenses were \$1777.21, a gross profit of \$3980.41. December with its increased demands for light and power due to holiday merchandising and residential Christmas lighting was the banner month with total gross revenue of \$6115.05.

After charging off insurance, office, distribution and plant expenses for the month showed a profit of \$4157.57 from which deductions of interest, depreciation, and reserve against bond retirement must be made.

Interruptions of service during the first six months total less than ten minutes for the entire time. Minor mechanical trouble at the plant accounts for four minutes of interrupted service, while the human element accounts for the remaining six.

The balance sheet for the period ending December 1, shows the following items:

REVENUE	
Metered sales to residences	\$11,038.34
Metered sales for commercial purposes	9,011.46
Metered sales for power	3,850.37
Street lights and for municipal purposes	2,114.51
Total revenue	\$26,914.68

EXPENSES	
Production costs in power plant	\$7,191.21
Maintenance	
Station, fuel holders, engines and misc. items	259.04
Distribution expense—Operation of distribution system, salaries of linemen, etc.	1,616.99
Maintenance of poles, meters conductors, service	385.02
Commercial expense, collecting	5.00
New business expense, adv. etc.	498.57
General office expense—Bookkeeper, steno, office	
Grand total first six month	\$27,817.34

CITY HAD CLEAN SLATE JANUARY 1	
For the first time in many months the several departments of the City of Sikeston marked "paid in full" across the face of various statements at the last regular meeting of the City Council, and started the New Year right—with all bills paid.	

Bowman Employed in Dexter

Charles Bowman, of Sikeston, has joined the staff of the Scott County Milling Co. here as grain inspector and manager of the elevator. He has had six years experience, having been grain inspector in St. Louis.—Dexter Statesman.

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BENTON LAD BREAKS LEG IN CAGE GAME**RECEIVERS NAMED FOR LARGE PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY****STATE UNIVERSITY TO HIKE FEES**

"Fat" Lawrence, regular guard on the Benton high school basketball game broke his right leg during the Cape Central-Benton tilt Friday night during the first official game on the Tiger's schedule played in Houck Field House. The injury came in the third quarter when Lawrence and two other players clashed in mid-air and fell apart. The right leg snapped in two between the knee and ankle, with a report that could be heard all over the house.

Benton trailed at the half 20 to 9, and the five was gradually closing up the gap when Lawrence was carried from the game. The boys were within four points of evening the score in the third frame, but the injury to their regular guard demoralized the team, and the small town cagers lost the game.

JACKSON DAY BANQUET

Friday morning The Standard editor accompanied Tom Scott, Ray B. Lucas, C. C. White and Col. Stowers went to Springfield, Mo., to attend the Jackson Day banquet and meet the declared and prospective candidates for State offices.

Leaving Sikeston at 3:00 a. m. the trip of more than 260 miles was made in record time, the party reaching Springfield at 10:00 after breakfasting at Poplar Bluff at 4:30 and stopping for gas at numerous places.

The Colonial Hotel in that city was the headquarters of the candidates who were all busy welcoming voters from every section. Our delegation called to pay our respects to Russell Dearmont first, in whose behalf we hoped to labor.

We called to pay our respects to Francis M. Wilson, the splendid Democrat who is opposing our neighbor, Dearmont. In the lobby candidates and their friends were busy introducing themselves and asking for consideration at the polls. Dwight Brown, for Secretary of State, was one of the first we met, followed by Chas. M. Howell of Kansas City and Chas. M. Hay of St. Louis for United States Senator. Col. Bennett Clark of St. Louis, for the same office, was present, but we didn't get to meet him.

Candidates for Supreme Judgeships were in the majority, there being four vacancies to fill. Perhaps these lawyers preferred a stated salary for ten years in preference to a questionable living during the Hoover prosperity.

During the day there was nothing but militant Democracy in evidence, but after the banquet, some jubilant Democracy. Plenty of Democratic women were present to add tone and dignity, beside to spread talcum odor with the tobacco odor.

Last year the Jackson Day banquet in the same city seated 900 people, this time 2000 plates were served and a hundred or two guests turned away.

At 8:15 the toastmaster announced that the speaker of the occasion, Jas. A. Reed, delayed by car trouble, had just arrived, but very tired. He then introduced 30 or 40 would-be office-holders, who bowed, smile, and looked ed pleasant.

The Southeast Missouri delegation who were present in behalf of Russell Dearmont, felt that perhaps the demonstration for our favorite would be mild to that of Senator Wilson, but was happy that the ovation to Russell was equal to, if not superior, to that accorded Wilson. The applause for Hay was deafening as was that for Dwight Brown.

The Southeast Missouri delegations present felt that Russell was gaining ground rapidly and when the primary rolls around will be the nominee of his party. It was friendly rivalry in every camp and all pledged support for the ticket from President to Constable.

Our party left Springfield at 9:00 arriving at Sikeston at 3:00 happy that we made the trip and safe at home.

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Charleston, January 7.—The dispatches in Saturday and Sunday papers to the effect that the American Commonwealth Corporation, a Delaware Corporation, had admitted insolvency and had been placed in the hands of receivers cast a bit of gloom in Charleston and some uneasiness as to whether holders of preferred stock in the Missouri Utilities Company, a subsidiary company, was endangered.

It is known there is considerable stock of this latter company held by local citizens and a panic condition prevailed among the owners of this stock. Inquiries at the local office were made and there was considerable discussion upon the streets.

Following closely upon the heels of the news of such receivership, dispatches from Fort Worth, Texas, were that properties of the Louisiana-Texas Power Company and 11 subsidiary concerns had been placed in the hands of receivers, receivership action having been taken by a Fort Worth concern whose unsecured claim of \$6725.33 for goods, wares and merchandise. The Company admitted the allegations of plaintiff, and states the company is solvent.

The Community Power and Light Company, with offices in the Cotton Belt Building, St. Louis, is a subsidiary of the American Commonwealths Power Corporation. E. J. Costigan vice president, and Walter H. Timm, secretary-treasurer of Community Power and Light, said last night, American Commonwealths owns the common stock of Community Power and Light, and they said.

Community Power and Light, incorporated in Delaware, has assets of \$30,000,000, according to its December, 1930, balance sheet, and furnishes, through subsidiaries, electric power, gas, ice and water to 172 communities in Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, New Mexico and Kansas. Missouri towns to which it furnishes light and power include Cape Girardeau, Poplar Bluff, Charleston, Eldon and California. It supplies gas to Columbia.

David A. Beldon, president of Community Power and Light, is in New York. Costigan referred a reporter to Timm when asked for a statement.

Timm would not make a statement saying he would get in touch with Beldon and ask him to make one.

Common stock, represented by 250,000 no par shares, was listed at \$2,500,000 in 1930, first preferred at \$6,896,500 and subsidiary preferred at \$1,103,500.

A call at the office of the Public Utilities Company to learn whether preferred stockholders would be affected by the receivership of the parent company revealed, said Mr. Hill, local manager, that the value of the stock nor the dividends were affected.

The only effect, said Mr. Hill after getting in touch with officials of the Company, were the cashing of stock certificates would be somewhat delayed.

Usually one can obtain the cash value within 48 hours after surrender of certificates. Mr. Hill was not certain just how much time it would require to obtain the money for stock, but, he said, the dividends will be forthcoming on time as usual and the stock was worth its face value, \$100 per share. The usual charge of \$2 per share for cashing would be charged against holders wishing to cash their stock, subject to delay.

Charleston Courier.

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Rates:
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Ed Fuchs is out for re-election as Mayor of Sikeston. He says everybody knows him, and knows whether he has proven satisfactory or not, and it is up to them to give him another term. He makes no rash promises but will do his best to give the city a good business administration.

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C. E. Reid writes us from Hayti calling our attention to a paragraph in The Standard which stated that Bennett Clark was a single man, when in fact, he has a son 8 years of age and twin boys, 3 years of age. Or, at least, his wife has.

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Under the head of money, notes and bonds, Missourians list \$127,000,000 for taxation. In Missouri banks, however, they have more than ten times that much in actual cash on deposit and probably 25 times that much in notes and bonds. There's no use talking about relieving real estate of tax burdens until we have the guts to assess all this wealth that now goes untouched.—Paris Appeal.

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Arthur Hyde of Missouri told women listeners in New York that Mr. Hoover was a real fighting leader, and it must be so, but we have so far heard of no evidence to that effect. Some women will believe anything, but few will believe Secretary Hyde's statement.

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Better times are ahead. The number of \$2.00 bills in circulation has been reduced materially, and the army of lurking hoodooes decimated accordingly. Joking aside, of what use is the \$2 bill anyhow? The arguments for keeping it alive as medium of exchange, would be just as cogent when stated with respect to a \$3.00 bill. The \$2.00 bill could be retired to the cabinets of curio collectors with as little inconvenience as marked the passing of the almost forgotten two-cent piece.

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In another column is the announcement of William E. Pate for Chief of Police of the City of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election. Mr. Pate is a splendid citizen, a man of mature years and sound judgment and promises, if elected, to follow instructions of the Mayor and Council, and do his best to enforce the laws of the land.

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A British visitor finds that we are a nation of hero worshippers, and the facts seem to bear him out. The New Years Day line for the President's public reception began to form before one o'clock in the morning.

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We have a friend who is going to be rich ten or twenty years hence. He has recently purchased nearly a thousand acres of good farm land at ridiculous prices. He had one-fourth of the purchase price to pay down and got twenty-five years on the balance at very low interest rates. He is in the prime of his life and very industrious. He owns considerable stock and has some money left. Strange to say, he has been a renter until now. One good crop of three cent cotton and forty cent corn will pay his total indebtedness. Still, he has land enough now and should stop buying Toadam much is one of the things that brought us where we are.

Malden Merit.

LOCALS SPLIT DOUBLEHEADER WITH MOREHOUSE

Morehouse cagers spilled the dope Friday evening, when the visiting girls' team, touted as superior to the locals, lost 31 to 21, while the boys trounced the Bulldogs 15 to 9 to upset the predictions of an easy Sikeston victory.

Sells, star forward of the Sikeston six, rolled up a total of 25 markers for her squad after she found the distance. In the first quarter Sikeston maintained a slight three-point lead, 6 to 3, increasing it 8 to 4 at the half.

The locals finally got organized and at the three-quarter mark had the game on ice 9 to 5, and closed the struggle with the long end of 31 to 21.

Williams, forward on the visiting six, was high point scorer for Morehouse with 14 points. Parrish made the remaining 7 markers.

The score:
Morehouse 21
Williams, f 14
Parrish, f 7
Green, jc
Fisher, rc
Hight, g
Usrey, g
Hart, g
Smith, g
Sikeston 31
Sells, f, 25
Baker, f, 6
Dunn, jc
Powell, c
Frey, g
Ward, g
McCoy, g

The Sikeston boys seemed to be dead on their feet the first half holding the score 7 to 6, favor of Morehouse. The visitors kept Daniels rather well guarded allowing him only one toss at the basket, and that was good for two points. Malone made a toss from the court and received a free throw, while Caverno made one and missed one from the line to end the scoring in the first half.

A basket in the second half and one free throw proved to be the extent of the Sikeston scoring ability during the remainder of the game, while Harlen of Morehouse broke loose for two perfect shots for four points. Comer added two and Crumpecker added two free tosses to cinch the game with 15 points.

Both Sikeston teams will journey to Charleston Friday evening for the first encounter of the season with their friendly enemies the Bluejays. Matthews invades the local court one week from that date, and promises to bring the entire north half of New Madrid County to back the team.

The score:
Morehouse 15
Daniels, f 3
Engram, f
Malone, f 3
Zellmer, c
Cline, c
Caverno, c, 1
Crumpecker, g, 4
Watson, g, 2
Harlan, g 9
Sikeston 9
Wilkins, f
Comer, f 2
Zellmer, c
Cline, c
Caverno, c, 1
Moll, g
Watson, g, 2
Sharp, g

LEGIONNAIRES TO VISIT CARBONDALE THIS WEEK ON AIRPORT PROPOSITION

Art L. Sensenbaugh, chairman of the Legion committee charged with determining costs of an airport here, and Logis Mayfield, member of the committee, plan to leave Sikeston Monday evening or Tuesday morning to investigate the Legion Airport at Carbondale, Ill., where Legionnaires have maintained an approved landing field for several years.

Let's advertise our way back to Prosperity.

Mary Boyer is able to be out again after being confined to her home with the chicken pox.

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MOTHER OF JOHN A. AND GUY YOUNG DIES IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA

John A. and Guy Young of this city were notified Sunday of the death that morning in Tulsa, Okla., of their mother, Safrona A. Young, who was stricken with paralysis on January 1 this year.

The body will be brought here Tuesday and removed to the family home in Bertrand, where funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 o'clock with Rev. J. F. E. Bates officiating. Interment will be in Oak Grove Cemetery, near Charleston, with members of the Charleston Eastern Star in charge.

Mrs. Young was born March 9, 1851 at Woodbury, Ky., and with her husband and family moved to Cape Girardeau County 56 years ago, establishing their home in Millerville. About twelve years later the family moved to Bertrand, where a permanent home was established, and where Mrs. Young resided until the death of her husband in 1913. Since that time she has been making her home with her several children, going to Tulsa eighteen months ago to live with her three daughters and son in that city.

Mrs. Young was the mother of ten children, six of who are living. They are besides John A. and Guy Young of this city, Mrs. Parham Stone, Mrs. Claude Bowman, Mrs. Annie Lassister and Carr T. Young, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

LOCAL DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS MAY ATTEND VET ROUNDUP IN CLAYTON

Members of Henry Meldrum Post 114 drum and bugle corps were to vote Monday evening on the question of sending the corps to Clayton, Mo., to attend a Veterans Roundup January 20 and 21. Prizes, it is understood, are to be given to all drum and bugle corps attending, and the local boys this time have hopes of entering the big money instead of the booby prize list.

F. D. LAIR TO ATTEND RADIO DEALERS' MEETING

F. D. Lair spent Monday in Cape Girardeau attending a district convention of Philco radio dealers. A new model was to be announced at this meeting, according to this dealer, who expressed the opinion that Philco will again have a selection of popularly priced sets to meet highest quality competition.

BASKETBALL ATTENDANCE IMPROVING SAYS ELLISE

Response to personal invitations mailed out by Superintendent Roy V. Ellise to local business and professional men to attend basketball games, and other school activities more regularly, met with hearty response last Friday night, when the largest crowd of the season composed of Sikeston and Morehouse patrons enjoyed the doubleheader game. Several men mailed checks for \$1 in payment for tickets, saying that they or members of their family would attend. Special prices were placed in effect last week, and will continue throughout the season, including tournaments this spring.

A man who was injured by a falling timber in a barn which he was tearing down, crawled from one pile of rubbish to another, and set them afire successively, to keep from being frozen to death. There is hope for the world so long as courageous and resourceful people are left in it.

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RECOVER LOOT TAKEN BY PAIR IN BANK THEFT

Benton, January 8.—Secreted under a clump of grass, \$1149 in money, representing the remainder of the loot taken Monday afternoon in the holdup of the Bank of Blodgett, was found late Thursday afternoon after one of the bandit trio led officers to the hiding place.

Although at first denying he knew the whereabouts of the money, Lon Vanover, the third man to confess complicity in the robbery plot, called Sheriff Tom Scott to his cell in the county jail late Thursday and revealed to him the cache.

Covered With Grass

Accompanied by Chief Walter Kendall of Sikeston, Sheriff Scott took Vanover to the place where he said he secreted the three bags of money after picking them up at the side of the highway Monday afternoon after the two men who actually staged the holdup, Bill Charlton and Jerry Savage, had tossed it from their speeding automobile by a prearranged plan.

The bags were beneath a small clump of grass, not very well hidden, but sufficiently covered to escape observation of the casual searcher. The cache was about three-quarters of a mile from the highway near the Silent Hill church where the bandits had tossed the money into the highway.

The money, when brought back to Benton, was counted by Sheriff Scott, Prosecuting Attorney M. E. Montgomery and George W. Pearman and W. E. Buchanan, cashier and president of the Bank. They said that only \$35 was missing, according to their check of the bank records. The remainder may have been lost in the scramble of the bandits, while a small amount was spent by Savage and Charlton, who took \$100 of the money before throwing the rest into the road.

To Plead Guilty

Formal charges of first degree robbery with a deadly weapon under the Henry law have been filed against the three men, and the maximum sentence may be death or life imprisonment. However, lesser punishment may be given inasmuch as this is believed to be their first robbery.

All the men have said they will enter the pleas of guilty to the charges, and it is expected a special term of Scott County Court will be held to expedite their sentence.—Cape Missourian.

H. B. BONE BUYS BANKRUPT STOCK OF CITIZENS STORE CO.

H. B. Bone of Cape Girardeau has purchased the stock of the Citizens' Store Company here, and will announce particulars of a sale in this newspaper this week-end.

And Buying Smoked Glasses

According to reports from the big winter resorts in Florida and California, the popular sports these days is sun bathing. This probably is in keeping with the "dry" ideas of the 18th constitutional amendment and the modern belief that "the barer the body the better", nature having given our early ancestors nothing more than a fig leaf for material with which to make clothing. We will give you an eye-witness description of sun bathing just as soon as our banker advises that conditions justify us spending a few weeks or months at a winter resort. Just now we are too busy to get away, too busy counting money to see if there is enough to pay interest, insurance, rent, etc.—Shelbia Democrat.

The Wild Onion School, which was dismissed last week on account of the scholars having to help the team win at the football game, resumed its studies in time to dismiss for Christmas.—Commercial Appeal.

FINALS THIS WEEK KEEP STUDENTS HERE OUT OF MISCHIEF

This week is no time for playing, according to students, young and old in Sikeston High School. Final exams with their attendant fool questions by faculty members are on schedule for this Thursday and Friday, and that means study, study, study, early and late, midnight oil, brain fag, reviewing, getting up book reports (that should have been in two weeks ago), finishing much unfinished business—in other words, getting set.

According to school authorities, the examinations end the first semester, and next week students and faculty begin the last half of the present school year.

BASKETBALL INJURY NOT SERIOUS TO MATTHEWS PLAYER

Irene Shelton, 16, jump center on the Matthews basketball squad, received treatment Monday morning at the Emergency Hospital for a dislocated pointer finger. Miss Shelton claimed to have hit the ball in the usual manner, and was unable to account for the peculiar injury.

George E. Boswell of near Tanner underwent a successful operation for appendicitis at the Hospital here Friday night.

A HURRIED TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. White left Monday afternoon for their home in Oklahoma City, Okla., after a "flying trip" to this city, Bertrand and East Prairie. Mr. and Mrs. White, left home at 3 o'clock Friday, drove into Sikeston at 12 noon Saturday, visited briefly with C. C. and Edgar White here, drove to Bertrand and visited Mr. and Mrs. Pitt White, stopped for a short while at the home of Mrs. White's relatives in East Prairie and Monday afternoon returned home. The visitors were luncheon guests Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar White.

Mrs. Lough of Charleston is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Gus Martin.

FOR RENT—Modern apartment—734 North Ranney, phone 236. tf-27.

FOR RENT—Furnished room, steam heat. Phone 315. tf.

FOR RENT, LEASE OR SALE—Restaurant business in Kewanee, operated, owned by Myrtle Byers. Will stand investigation. 4tpd-29.

LOST—A black and white fox terrier puppy about 8 months old, answering to the name of "Trey". Information leading to his recovery will be thankfully received and reward be given by John Blanton, 5 years of age, of Sikeston.

FIRST CREDITORS' MEETING

In the District Court of the United States for the Southeastern Division of the Eastern Judicial District of Missouri.

In Bankruptcy No. 1632

Robert Henry Joyner, bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on January 11th, 1932, said Robert Henry Joyner was adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned Referee in Bankruptcy, in the Missouri Building, in the City of Cape Girardeau, State of Missouri, on January 22nd, 1932, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time and place the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

At said meeting the creditors will consider the advisability of the sale of all the assets, real estate and personal property of said estate at public or private sale, subject to approval or confirmation by the court.

JOSEPH L. MOORE,

Referee in Bankruptcy.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., Jan. 11, 1932.

Thrift Dinners Are Economical; They Save Both Time and Money



By JOSEPHINE GIBSON

Director, Heinz Food Institute

Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce with Small Sausage Cakes*

Buttered Green Beans or Spinach

Pineapple and Sliced Grape Salad*

French Dressing

Whole Wheat Bread

Butter

Refrigerator Gingerbread* with Apple Butter Topping*

Coffee

*Indicates recipes are given below

Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce with Small Sausage Cakes—
1 medium can Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce; 1 pound sausage. Form sausage into small cakes and brown slowly. Remove from frying pan and pour off all but one tablespoonful fat from pan.

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS

Lorena Elfrank is ordered sent to the hospital at Farmington; warrant for \$108 ordered for six months keep.

Ordered by the court that Scott County become a member of the National Drainage Association with dues at 1-20 of 1 per cent per year or 1-10 of 1 per cent for two years (1931-1932) on bonds outstanding in the county drainage districts; Drainage district 10 (old issue) \$8000, fee \$8; (new issue) \$22,300, fee \$223; district 12, \$102,000, fee \$102; district 14, \$16,500, fee \$16.50; district 15, \$29,500 fee \$29.50. The association is sponsoring a bill which provides for refunding drainage district bonds on long terms of 40 years at interest rate of 3 per cent with no interest during the first ten years. Julian Friant of Cape Girardeau was instrumental in getting Scott County to join.

Assessment of H. J. Engelen of Oran is ordered reduced from \$1200 to \$600 for 1931.

Assessment of L. E. Tucker of Illmo is ordered reduced from \$380 to \$80 for 1928-1929-1930 and 1931.

Arnold Dirlberger road work \$5.

Court takes up matter of disposition of balance on hand in drainage district 4 funds and it is found the total assessed benefits as shown on the ditch assessment books as being within the boundaries of drainage district 4, the following drainage districts which have been or are in process of organization show within their boundaries the lands on which drainage district 4 benefits were assessed: Drainage district 12, \$88,707 or 30.50 per cent; district 18, \$21,196 or .939 per cent; district 14, \$4,233 or .187 per cent; Richland \$118,776.25 or .585 per cent. Total original district 4 benefits \$225,538.75. The court discusses the advisability of distributing the balance of drainage district 4 funds in the sum of \$3,379.74 and matter is continued to November 12.

J. S. Hodges, damage to beans by fire during cleaning of ditches \$339.13.

Ordered that H. F. Kirkpatrick, recorder, place order with Botz Printing Co. for chattel mortgage book for \$51.75 and with Standard Printing Co. warranty deed record for \$38.40.

J. W. Baker, damage to beans by fire during cleaning of ditches \$367.66.

Dr. P. M. Malcolm is issued permit to prescribe ethyl alcohol or wine.

Alvin Myers of Blodgett is exempted from poll tax because of physical disability.

H. J. Welsh, coffin for Leeman Surrough, \$20.

Burrough Adding Machine Co. work on county machines, \$29.95.

Brinkley Coal Co., \$76.22.

Hawk and owl bounties: Simon Kern \$2.50; Jerry Wallace \$5; D. D. Gilliland \$7.50; Ezra Armstrong \$2. Wm. Kraft 50c; Lurton Dukes 50c; Lawrence Glaus 50c.

H. J. Welsh, coffin for Eugene Surgeon, \$15.

C. D. M. Gupton, coffin for Mrs. Zora Smith, \$20.

Wm. Ervin of Benton is exempted from poll tax because of physical disability.

Same order as to John LeGrand of Oran.

Barnard Co., printing, \$49.42.

Missouri Utilities Co., light for Benton bank building, \$16.26.

Buxton & Skinner, printing, \$174.80.

Botz Printing Co., \$278.03.

Electric Coal Co. \$51.44.

Inquest fees Zora Smith, \$7.

Colored Commerce Lodge A. F. & A. M., strip of land off cemetery on south side Jackson hill, \$15.

Joseph Burger of Ancell is ordered sent to Farmington, warrant for \$108 for six months keep.

Bank of Sikeston, hospital bills, \$5,587.57.

Mary Warner of Morley is ordered sent to Farmington, warrant for \$108 for keep for six months.

Erroneous assessment of Baty & Brockett of Oran corrected.

Same order as to C. L. Lucas.

Same order as to F. J. Trapp.

Same as to Frisco Express Co. at Ilmo.

Ordered that requisition be made on State auditor for \$400, amount due for salary of county superintendent of schools.

J. D. O'Connor, taking 97 income tax lists, \$36.86.

J. Sherwood Smith, fees, \$5.37.

Mabel Lynn is ordered sent to State Sanitarium at Mt. Vernon.

J. Sherwood Smith, expense attending county clerks' convention at Jefferson City, \$66.88.

J. L. Abbott, pauper, \$10.

H. F. Stubbs, coffin for Pauline Sanders, \$12.

J. W. Heeb, court attendance,

\$34.80; S. W. Applegate, same \$37.20; Peter Gosche, same, \$32.40.

Above are balance of November proceedings.

Court orders lands of F. S. Bice, 240a, divided as follows: 80a St. Louis Joint Stock Land Bank \$2880, F. S. Bice 60a \$2160; in 23-28-12. St. Louis Joint Stock Land Bank 80a \$3600; F. S. Bice 60a \$2720, in 26-28-12.

Benjamin Wallace, Charles Heney, Ernest Mayberry and Wm. Seals ordered sent to crippled children's hospital at Columbia.

Annual report of R. L. Furry is filed.

Anna Dewey, pauper, \$5.

John Henley, pauper, \$5.

John Thomas, pauper, \$10.

Assessment of north part lots 1, 2 block 16 Morley ordered reduced from \$920 to \$460.

Assessment corrected on lot 3 blk.

3 A. J. Matthews addition Oran.

Same order as to lots 7 and 8 block

7 C. & A. J. Matthews 2nd addition, Oran.

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Report of health unit for November is filed.

Kindred Merc. Co., groceries for Eastwood family, \$5.10.

L. A. Diebold, work on roof at sheriff's house, \$36.13.

Evin Burke, ditch overseer, \$45.

Ditch clearing allowances: Johnny Banks \$12, Oliver Christy \$24, Henry Mayberry \$8, Willie Parks \$16, Ed Beshears \$84, C. H. Gibson \$6.52, O. L. Spencer, agent, \$60.15.

L. J. Pfefferkorn shows \$336.51 fees in November, salary \$208.34.

H. M. Zaricor, salary, \$100.

M. E. Montgomery, salary, \$208.33; expense, \$7.90.

Fred Bisplinghoff, salary, \$75; expense, \$7.65.

O. F. Anderson, salary, \$175; expense, \$55.25.

Scott County Farm Bureau, expense, \$153.93.

C. E. Felker, salary, \$191.67; commissions, \$88.14, freight, \$82.04.

Tom Scott, board of prisoners for November, \$296.50; fees, \$279; transporting Joseph Burger to Farmington to \$45; transporting Lorena Elfrank to Farmington, \$45.

Bahn Bros., plumbing, \$9.30.

O. L. Spencer, postage, \$28.

Dr. U. P. Haw, expense, etc., \$108.10.

Tillie Witt, expense, etc., \$100.

T. M. Scott, taking Mary Warner to Farmington, \$45.

Emil Steck, postage, \$20.60.

L. O. Williams, clothing for Mrs. Charles Fisher, \$10; for John Thomas, \$5.

Sikeston Standard, printing, \$6.75.

F. W. Diebold, repairs at court house, 65c.

Frobases, meals for petit jury, \$13.

Semo Telephone Co., tolls for sheriff, \$23.80.

J. C. Diebold, work at county farm and Benton bank, \$5.60.

Dr. G. S. Cannon, examining insane persons, \$10.

Benton Hotel, meals for jurors, \$6.50.

G. S. Swinney, groceries for Mrs. Diebold, \$5.

Oran special road district, taxes for October, \$177.40.

Baudendistel-Schoen Co., groceries for Mrs. John Randolph, \$10; for Fred Zent, \$5.

St. Louis Blue Print Co., blue prints, \$242.

Moore-Harris Abstract Co., insurance premium on county farm buildings from December 19, 1931, to December 12, 1936, \$270.01.

Fred Bretzel .06a land for road purposes, \$25.

Ordered that \$1668.91, amount due from State on assessor's salary, be certified to State auditor. Like amount is payable by county.

General road bills: R. L. Harrison \$236, H. C. Watkins \$25, J. Laub \$120, A. W. Rodgers \$110, Jess Doty \$90, Chas. Kneelze \$90, A. G. Gnann \$120, E. J. Seyer \$17.70, A. V. Lauk \$22.50, F. J. Amrhein \$39, John Dirlberger Jr. \$31.80, C. M. Beardslee \$22.20, Joe Stricker \$18, John Eskew \$25.50, C. Abernathy \$12.30, Louis Kihafner \$25.50, Otto Bugg \$9, E. E. Grant \$5.40, C. A. Boardman \$45, Missouri Utilities Co. \$6.55, Semo Telephone Co. \$1.20.

Special road and bridge allowances: Peter Compas \$12.80, E. J. Seyer \$78.90, Frank Steinle \$10, H. Hindman \$18.09, A. V. Lauk \$46.50, John Dohogne \$4.50, Mike Witt \$4.80, John Gosche \$6.10, F. J. Amrhein \$22.80, Arnold Dirlberger \$5, John Dirlberger Jr. \$35.15, Jake Wilkerson \$2, C. M. Beardslee \$35.70, Joe Stricker \$48.90, John Eskew \$59.50, J. P. Diebold \$6, Wm. Kilhafner \$18, A. C. Kilhafner \$11, G. J. Schlosser \$6, L. K. Cowger \$175, W. E. Kinder \$87, Elmer Ervin \$27, Marvin Campbell

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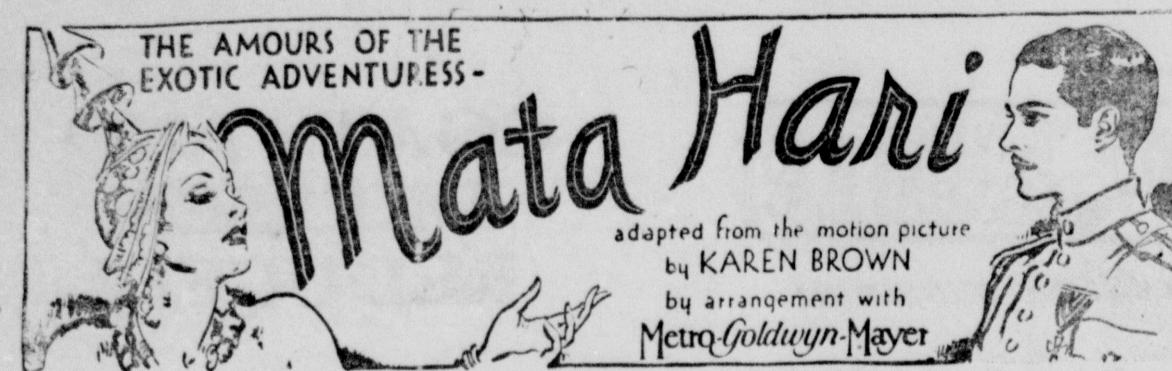
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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Mexico—Branch factory of International Shoe Co. reopened recently.



Chapter III

WHAT HAS HAPPENED SO FAR

Alexander Rosanoff, an aviator in the Russian secret service, delivers a packet of confidential papers to the Russian Embassy in Paris and persuades Colonel Shubin, ranking Attaché, to take him to see the famous Mata Hari perform an exotic dance later, fascinated by the woman, he follows her to a gambling casino where she has gone to meet Adriana, owner of the resort and an enemy spy. Here she is told of the papers and promises to get them from Shubin. Rosanoff notices that she adores a ring offered for sale by one of the girls.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

THE RING

"My dear, you look sad. Did you lose, too?"

Rosanoff started out of his reverie and recognized the girl as the one who had offered the ring at the chemin de fer table. Involuntarily, he glanced at her hand and saw that she still wore it. She was a hungry-looking

than I am obliged to sell it and it goes to some other woman. Well—there's no use struggling against one's fate. How much money have you?"

After a prolonged search through his pockets, he produced barely five hundred francs.

The girl made little clucking sound of disappointment. Then, suddenly, she thrust the ring into his hand. "Here, take it. Mind you send me the rest in the morning! Send it here, to Mlle. Clothilde."

"Oh, I will," he said eagerly. "Upon my word of honor!"

"Upon his word of honor!" And when he left she was still muttering between ripples of bitter mirth. "Indeed yes! . . . Upon his word of honor . . . honor!"

The bargain had taken perhaps five minutes to conclude, but to Rosanoff it had seemed interminable and he could hardly restrain himself from running through the rooms to find out whether the dancer had already vanished. In one of the alcoves near the bar he caught sight of the familiar golden dress and he was none too soon, for she and the officers who had accompanied her were making plans for departure.

After the crottoe's shrill soprano, Mata Hari's grave, deep intonation was like a powerful drug—an aphrodisiac. The old Marquis had dozed off, and the officers suggested that they leave him and go on to breakfast. The dancer, however, said no, that he was an "old darling" and it was way past his bed-time, and she shook him, but gently.

"Come, papa," she said. "Wake up—we're going home."

And Rosanoff's heart sank to his boots. From the familiarity of her tone he guessed that they were going home together—the old wreck and the golden woman. He had been a fool not to anticipate something of the sort. But why one so senile? Were there not enough young men in Paris wealthy enough to please her?

The officers accepted their dismissal as a fore-

seen conclusion.

They kissed her hand and she swept past on the arm of the old man, who still blinked with sleep. A servant bundled him into a multitude of wraps, while Mata Hari stood by, shoulders, throat and dress hidden by her furs, only the profile showing as motionless as a statue as if it were stamped on a medalion.

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"Mademoiselle—I beg your pardon—just one moment."

"Yes?"

He stammered with the shock of being actually addressed by her, face to face.

"A little while ago—I happened to overhear—you admired this ring."

"Why—yes."

"You admired it—and—and I thought you might like to have it. Please accept it—as a token of my profound admiration."

Whether she was amused by his floundering or touched by his obvious infatuation, she decided to put him at his ease.

"I hope you haven't cut that woman's throat," she said, smiling but not yet accepting the ring.

"I didn't have to," replied Rosanoff more freely. "I merely bought it. For you."

The dancer looked him up and down curiously. He thought that she was even a little flattered and he plucked up enough heart to return the look with undisguised, if not too bold, fervor. Slowly, she took the ring out of his hands and slipped it on her finger.

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She stretched out a naked white arm for the burner.

TOMORROW—Last Night Was Last Night.

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little thing, rather like a famished bird of prey.

"You had no luck, then?" he said, indicating the ring.

"No. Never any luck. But come," she said, drawing her arm through his, "my dear, I can assure you."

"What an ideal!" she said. "As if it is not enough to lose at cards, one must lose at love, too. I am not a jewel, selling rings!" She paused in what appeared to be the extreme of indignation, then finished quite calmly.

"Ten thousand francs to you, my dear, because you are a handsome young man with a sweet little mustache and a Russian, n'est-ce-pas?"

"I haven't ten thousand francs on me," said Rosanoff with a sigh.

"What! And you're a Russian! But all Russians are rich!"

"If you would let me have the ring," he pleaded, "I will give you all the money I have on me and send you far more than the remainder in the morning—"

But she burst out laughing in a way that made Rosanoff flush to his ears and declared that indeed, yes! he knew such promises.

There was obviously no clemency to be expected from her and Rosanoff had turned away sure that his only plan was blocked when she came flying after him.

"Listen," she said. "You want this ring for a girl, don't you? Yes, that's the way. No sooner do I have a piece of jewelry presented to me

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THE STANDARD, SIKESTON, MO.

FLEMING BORROWS FROM EDISON

This is the age of high and higher speed. By applying great pressure, scientists hope soon to hatch eggs in twenty-four hours instead of the old-fashioned twenty-one days. Next year Reno marriage licensees will have a divorce coupon that becomes valid when both parties sign it. By air, by auto, by train, by wire and via the ether everything moves much faster than it did twenty years ago. Only the stork has slowed down.

Twenty-five years ago Henry Ford was building racing cars that reached the dizzy speed of 50 miles an hour. Death Valley Scotty roared across the country in a special train in less than four days. One could talk up to two hundred miles by telephone. At Kittyhawk the Wright brothers were experimenting with a flying machine. In every field of invention the germ of speed was incubating.

The Marquis came up, ready for the street. "Very well, my dear, we can go." All in a moment it happened. Her face glowed, it almost dimpled with fun, as she turned upon the old man and said sweetly, "My dear Marquis, after all I have decided not to take you so far out of your way. It's such a bad night for your lumbago." "This kind young man," and she put a hand on Rosanoff's arm, "is seeing me home. Good night, my dear." And Rosanoff found himself being gently but compellingly guided to the cloakroom and the stairs.

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Mata Hari had a house in Neuilly which was almost as famous as its owner. She had collected therein the fruit of the more inconsiderate knowledge of the more obscure Orient and had arranged her possessions, it was said, with a great deal of taste. Instead of turning in that direction, however, she bade her chauffeur drive back to town and once more Rosanoff traversed a portion of the Champs Elysées, truly Elysian Fields, now that the dancer was at his side.

He was filled with delight and a sense of triumph all the more heady in that it was so unexpected. She was more enchanting in submission to his kisses than as the aloof woman in gold or as the disciple of Kali.

Her house was in complete darkness and the lamp which she carried on in an alcove accentuated rather than punctuated the thick black. He felt for her in the gloom and she disengaged herself with a laughing protest.

"Really, you are the most . . ."

"How can anyone be so young?" she said softly, and, taking him by the hand, she guided him over an expanse of gleaming floor until they reached a low archway. Here she lit another lamp, revealing a sort of boudoir, all arched, silken hangings, and queer circular benches for seats. "Sit down here," she said, "and don't move till I come back."

"I'll go with you."

"No! . . . No!" she insisted, laughing.

"You must sit here and stop following me about. Promise."

"Very well, I promise."

She remained a moment, studying him with a detached sort of tenderness.

"You are a very nice boy. What did you say your name was?"

"Alexander Rosanoff."

"Alexander Rosanoff. I shall call you Alexis. You promise not to move from this chair—Alexis?"

"I promise."

Mata Hari gave him a little pat of approval on the cheek, and parting the hangings within a second archway, she disappeared. A light showed between the folds of the curtains. Rosanoff was in a fever of passion and impatience. Sometimes he forgot that he was not supposed to stir and rose to go to her, but always he returned to his seat; he was afraid to cross her whim.

At length she called to him and he started up.

"Don't come in!"

"No, no. I'm not."

There was a silence.

"Alexis . . ." from the bedroom.

"What?" he said eagerly.

"There is an incense burner on that table under the mirror. Do you see it?"

"Oh, yes."

"Have you matches?"

"Yes."

"Light it. . . . Is it lit?"

"Yes."

"Give it to me."

He almost flew with it to the hangings.

"But you mustn't look," she said gravely. "Close your eyes or you'll be blinded."

Black silk on panelled walls. Black wood on the dais upon which a black bed stood. Black velvet on the floor. Across the bed, over silken pillows, a narrow coverlet of white fur. On the wall behind the bed a Buddha, embroidered in solid colors, squatted amidst the outlined, silvery branches of a huge panel. An Indian lamp hung over the bed.

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"Effect", mentioned it in electrical text books and forgot about it until wireless came along and the atom was chopped up into even smaller pieces, the negative electrons and the positive particle called proton.

Then the Edison Effect was explained. It was found that very hot metal shot large numbers of free electrons into the surrounding space. They were negatively charged. When a positively charged cold metal plate was put near the hot metal filament, the electrons hopped through the vacuum to the plate. In other words, an electric current flowed from the hot filament to the cold plate, the electrons traveling down the wire, through the battery back to the filament.

But they could not travel the other way. The metal plate, being cold, could emit none of its free electrons. Current could only flow from the hot to the cold side; it could not come back.

In the new field of wireless telegraphy scores of technical men were endeavoring to improve the spark and arc systems of generating radio waves sufficiently powerful to establish reliable wireless service across the Atlantic, but they were still ten years from their goal. Others, principally American technicians, had turned to the almost untouched field of wireless telephony. And in this field they were gradually concentrating their attention on one of Edison's inventions, the incandescent electric light lamp.

Take a look at the lamp before you. It's a glass bulb from which the air has been partially exhausted. A filament of tungsten wire runs thru the hermetically sealed base. When you turn the switch, an electric current runs through the tungsten wire and raises it to a white heat, whereupon it emits light waves.

But it emits something else. Back in the seventies Edison had inserted a piece of metal in the tube, insulated from the filament by connected outside to the positive pole of the electric battery which heated the filament. And he had observed that whenever the filament got hot, the metal plate became electrically active. A current flowed through it.

During the last week of December, the State Highway Department had one hundred and ninety-five active projects in the State, on which were employed 1604 men. With the new contracts getting underway in the near future the number of men employed on State road work should show an increase.

Versailles—Plans underway to reorganize First National Bank of this market.

Nobody could explain this phenomenon. They called it the "Edison city."

HIGHWAY WORK TO AID UNEMPLOYED THIS WINTER

The State Highway Commission, since October 1, 1931, has greatly aided the unemployment situation in Missouri by the awarding of \$1,116,000 of contracts for the production of road materials to be used in the construction of roads and bridges next summer. The contracts provide for the production, transportation and storing of 233,950 tons of crushed stone, 263,000 tons of concrete gravel and 264,200 tons of sand. The work of producing and stockpiling this large volume of material is being done this winter and is furnishing employment to a large number of quarrymen, gravel workers, railroad men, truckmen, checkers and inspectors.

In Division 10, the Commission has awarded a contract for the stockpiling of 14,000 tons of paving gravel and 9000 tons of sand for work on U. S. 60, Stoddard County. This material is being produced from local deposits in the northern part of Stoddard County.

Oven Baked Bean Sandwiches Are Ideal for Winter Lunches

By JOSEPHINE GIBSON
Director, Heinz Food Institute

HOT baked bean sandwiches, or sandwiches of baked beans in combination with other foods, form a substantial, appetizing main dish for Winter lunches. These may be of the hot type if the family lunches at home or may be used in sandwiches which offer interesting variety for the packed lunch. If the idea seems a bit unusual look carefully at the recipes below and you readily will understand why baked bean sandwiches deserve the prominent place they are receiving in outstanding tea rooms the country over. Such sandwiches not only are delightful in appearance and flavor, but are nutritious, for baked beans are a valuable source of calcium and iron as well as an excellent protein food.

Broiled Bean Sandwich—6 slices bread; Butter; 1 medium can Oven Baked Beans (Boston Style); $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt; 4 Preserved Sweet Gherkins, chopped; 8 Stuffed Spanish Olives, chopped; Mayonnaise Salad Dressing. Drain Baked Beans and press through a sieve or mash until entirely free from lumps. Add salt, sweet gherkins and olives. Add just enough Mayonnaise Salad Dressing to make a smooth filling and spread between buttered slices of Boston brown bread or whole wheat bread.

Sailboat Sandwich—3 slices whole wheat bread for each sandwich to be made; $\frac{1}{4}$ pound bacon, sliced thin; 1 small bottle Stuffed Spanish Olives, sliced; 1 medium can Oven Baked Beans (with Pork and Tomato Sauce). Fry bacon until crisp and brown. Add sliced olives and allow to heat in the fat. Heat Baked Beans according to directions on label of package. On first slice of toast, place a generous layer of hot beans, cover with a second slice of toast; add slices of bacon and olives. Add third slice of toast. Cut sandwich in half diagonally and garnish with slices of Genuine Dill Pickle or with additional olives. Serve with knife and fork. This sandwich, with a hot beverage, makes a nourishing and satisfying Winter luncheon.

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CHARLESTON MISSION GROUPS REORGANIZE

Charleston, January 7.—The four circles of the Missionary Society of the Methodist church met Wednesday afternoon at the homes for reorganization for the year 1932. Circle No. 1 met at the home of Mrs. E. E. Oliver, with thirteen members present. The following officers were elected to serve for the year:

Chairman—Mrs. George Kirk
Secretary—Mrs. E. E. Oliver
Treasurer—Mrs. Seth Rowe
Supply Superintendent—Mrs. Garritt Waggoner

Members of this Circle are Misses Georgia Roberts and Cora Simpson and Mesdames Beth Cox, Bob Oliver, Seth Rowe, H. M. Brown, E. A. Story, Alice Swank, Paul Moore, L. T. Berthe, Garnett Waggoner, Mary Thompson, Mary Moore, Louise Tharp, Fred Davis, Frank Lair, Jr., John Bird, Elmer Oliver, Harry Bryant, N. A. Martin, Rachel Finley, Harley Estes, Tamade Cutlip, Geo. W. Kirk, Chas. Gogert, E. Babcock, Garrett Elkins, E. E. Bryant, G. L. Horton, P. A. Kasey and C. V. Williams.

Circle No. 2 met at the home of Mrs. John Heggie with nine members present. Mrs. Heggie presided. Mrs. Frank Lair, Sr., was elected chairman and Mrs. George Shelby, secretary-treasurer.

The following are members of Circle 2: Misses Inez Andrews and Leila Harris, Mesdames Bob Burroughs, G. L. Jones, Reece Gillooly, Annie Harris, H. Cornwall, H. Mooring, Mildred Thrower, Ollie Daniels, F. J. Wilkinson, F. D. Lair, Sr., J. C. Butler, T. J. Johns, Moray Gaty, John Heggie, Neil Lett, Harry Crow, Lola Lovelace, Frank Vernon, Frank Sterrett, John Turner, W. B. Ragsdale, George Shelby, Chloe Whipple, W. B. Swank, Jesse Downs, Sue Goodin, Bob Fowlkes and Miss Ada Hutson.

Circle No. 3 met at the home of Mrs. Charles Reid with fourteen members present. Mrs. Reid presided and the following officers were elected: Chairman, Mrs. Chas. Reid, Secretary, Mrs. T. J. Clack, treasurer, Mrs. Miles Lee, Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. Frank Ashby.

The members of this Circle are: Misses Belle Lee, Mesdames Walter Rowe, Thos. Ogilvie, C. I. Lutz, Miles Lee, Spencer Love, Leslie Fox, J. H. Marshall, Sue Reid, Clarence Davis, Doss Lee, Bess Mulkey, T. J. Clack, A. J. Drinkwater, H. M. Crenshaw, and Mrs. Frank Ashby.

Joe M. Crenshaw, Lindsay Brown, Anna McElmurry, Bertha Gentry, C. W. Reid, Wilson Harris, I. D. Steele, T. F. Taylor, Mayme McPheeters, L. S. Parks, H. D. Ficklin, Frank Ashby, Florence Goodin, Joe Cain and E. R. Lash.

Circle No. 4 met at the home of Mrs. Ralph Carson with fifteen members present, Mrs. J. M. Haw leading the devotional services. The following officers were elected to serve for the year:

Chairman, Mrs. Tom Russell; secretary, Mrs. Chas. E. Rolwing; treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haw; Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. Leonard Hogue.

The members are: Misses Clara Rowe, Emma Roberts and Mabel Roberts, Mesdames J. M. Haw, Mabel Love, Charles Lough, Edgar Swank, Mattie Oliver, Eunice Marshall, A. L. Jenkins, Thos. Russell, Julia Rowe, A. H. Marshall, Charles Rolwing, Herman Mattingly, Sr., Ralph Carson, A. C. Drinkwater, Ella Deal, Jas. L. Byrd, Ed Presson, Ben Kenrick, Chas. Hequembourg, Neil Corbett, J. C. McDowell, Wm. Steele, A. V. Goodin, John Rhine, E. P. Deal, E. L. Brown, Sr., Ed Marshall, William Holloway, Oliver French and Leonard Hogue.

The Missionary Society will hold Circle meetings on each first Wednesday of the month.

Devotional meetings at the church on second Wednesdays.

Mission Study programs at the church on each third Wednesday.

Business sessions at the church on each fourth Wednesday and all day meetings at the church every quarter.

Charleston, January 5.—The following officers were installed at the regular meeting of the Past Noble Grand Association, held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Ramsey Walton:

Mrs. Ramsey Walton—President
Mrs. Celia Pace—Vice President
Miss Edna Caldwell—Warden
Mrs. T. J. Clack—Secretary
Mrs. E. T. Moon—Treasurer

Wm. Moreland left Sunday to spend a few days in St. Louis.

Mrs. E. C. Matthews and children visited relatives in Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mrs. Lonnie Harrison was called to Louisville, Miss., Monday morning on account of the illness of her father, who will undergo an operation for appendicitis at the hospital at Jackson, Miss., as soon as Mrs. Harrison arrives at her home.

HABITS OF SIKESTON CAN BE READ FROM CHART IN MUNY LIGHT OFFICE

A young married man, one of the 1000 or more customers of the Municipal Light and Power Plant, stepped to the counter in the City Hall Saturday and said: "Look here, my light bill is running about 18 cents higher now than it did when we were first connected", meaning the house and the power plant.

Those in charge of the office have become used to hearing such complaints, and merely turn to a number of charts showing a series of jagged lines. From the charts one can rather accurately determine the habits of the city at work and at play, and determine, also, the reason for the 18 cent increase during winter months.

During the present months Sikeson begins to rouse from its sleep around 5 o'clock in the morning. The "light curve" on the chart takes a leap and between 6 and 7 o'clock, many electric stoves and nearly all lights in the city are turned on. By 8 o'clock breakfast is over, the demands for power remain about constant until after 9 o'clock, and fluctuates until 11 at night when it drops off until the 5 o'clock hour again comes along.

Demands for lights, however, jump sky high between 5 and 7:30 o'clock in the morning. Then comes a slump, and from 10 to 11 o'clock the curve takes another jump—Sikeson is cooking the noon meal. After 1 o'clock the curve drops off and remains steady until about 4:30 in the afternoon. Then lights here and there are being turned on, stoves are started for the evening meal, and by 6:00 o'clock the plant is pulling its peak load.

At 7 o'clock the curve dips slightly, but Pete Medley starts the show and the curve swings upward again, and remains so until after 11 o'clock, taps for the city. Sleep is in order.

The street light demand curve is a rather accurate index to the difference in light bills during the summer and winter months. During the so-called "dark months", the lights are turned on at 4:45 in the afternoon, and remain on until 6:30 o'clock in the morning, whereas in the summer time, the lights are not turned on until 7:30 to 8 o'clock, and at 5:15 in the morning, off they go.

In the summer, likewise, the demand peak is not reached until 9 or 10 o'clock, whereas in the winter it comes around 6 o'clock. The folks about town eat a cold lunch, sit around on porches or take a drive around the loop, and do not turn on lights, and the radio until late—such is the explanation for the late peak load in the summer.

One might summarize the reasons for slightly increased winter light bills by saying that winter months are the "radio" months" and that the total increased demands for light and power per day are about four hours.

SQUAKERS

Most of us are ready to fight for our village when away from home. We assure our patient listeners that we have the best town in the State of Missouri, size and everything else considered, but at home we are prone to indulge in occasional "family spats". These may take the form of griping about parking laws, merchants taxes, special taxes, and valuation, or it might be that we rake the City Council over the coals, knock law enforcement, fuss about light and power rates, and burn the ears of those who are taking an active part in various social and civic enterprises.

Now let's take stock.

We pay \$1.10 per \$100 city tax and \$1.85 school tax making a total of \$2.95.

Sikeson maintains its own water-works plant, has a pretty fair fire department and still pays only \$1.10 for those and other city services while Ilmo, according to the Jimplimente of January 7 has neither and pays \$4.32 on \$100 valuation.

Our merchants tax averages \$26 a year. It is higher than that in a few instances, and slightly lower in others. Last week the Missouri Herald, (Hart) discussed action of the Council in that city relative to raising the license on peddlers. The merchants tax in Hart today is \$50.25 per year. Comments are unnecessary.

An occasional growl is heard here about school taxes, yet they are no higher here than elsewhere, and school teachers are paid off in full each month. School warrants are deemed 100 cents on the dollar. Efficient administration by the School Board has so arranged bond issues that one retiring issue "dove tails" into another series on the up-swing, thus keeping the levy, and the expenditure about on the level.

We hear the old slogan of "trade at home" again and again. We wonder, however, how many citizens use Scott County Mill Company products in

stead of shipped-in flour, feedstuffs, etc., how many women buy their hats and clothing at home, or have it purchased through a local concern, and how many make an effort to patronize the Sikeson Laundry instead of out-of-town concerns.

There is occasional criticism of those at the head of the Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club and organizations. For the most part the criticism is handed out by inactive members, who make no effort to transmit their ideas to those in charge, and who fail by the presence to get in harmony with the programs under consideration.

If every business man in town would make a conscious effort to drop a favorable word about banking facilities here, about the really excellent facilities for trading in lines other than his own, we could have a town worthy of our bragging about when we travel.

FROSH TRIM SOPHS IN FRIENDLY CAGE GAME

Most of the members of any freshman high school class will admit that sophomores are not a while lot smarter than first year students in any particular line of endeavor. The Sikeson high school first-year men proved their contention Friday afternoon when they met and defeated the sophomore five, 13 to 11 in basketball.

The lineups:
Freshman (13) Sophomore (11)
Basil Hessling, g Harry Harley, g
Venson Jones, g Russell Jones, g
Paul Jones, c Chas. A. Cook, c
Raymond Bandy, f Merlin Taylor, f
G. W. Zacher, f Walter Lankford, f
Bandy was the outstanding player for the freshman.

THOUSANDS OF FISHERMEN LIKE SPORT A LA ESKIMO

Devotees of the hook and line who think of fishing in terms of streams rippling under balmy breezes and surrounded by the green leaves of vacation time may not know that many thousands addicted to the sport in the north prefer to hover over holes cut in the ice, watching to spear fish a la Eskimo or to jerk them out on ice lines.

While most northern States have definite seasons and regulations governing this winter phase of the sport, many varieties of fish may be had by this method during practically all of the icy period. No State permits the use of lights as an aid to spearing fish or winter fishing in trout streams. Trout and black bass are reserved as the special joys of warmer-weather anglers, who choose fighting in ruffling water to shivering on ice.

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SUNSET ADDITION

Last Sunday we witnessed a fine service at the first Baptist church (col.) Rev. L. Thompson began his for 1932 as pastor.

The second Baptist church, Dr. S. D. Woods, pastor, invites the public to the services at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Evangelist Jones will preach. Come and hear him.

Dr. Woods was invited to fill an engagement in Illinois.

The rainfall has been and is still of such nature that those of us who are depending upon picking cotton for daily bread begin to feel the need of dry weather or something else that we can make bread for our families. If we can get just a little work we won't beg bread. Who will come and bring a big truck and take us out into your cotton field? We will snap cotton so fast that you would think we were crazy.

Mr. Ellise of Troy is the guest of his son, Supt. Roy V. Ellise and wife.

The Book Club held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. B. F. Blanton, Monday afternoon.

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The number of pages to be printed by The Standard publisher will depend entirely on the advertising patronage. There will never be less than four pages of each issue twice-a-week. We are willing and equipped to give 16 pages twice-a-week if backed with patronage.

Finnland voted against prohibition. Well, it's natural for Fins to be wet.—Dexter Statesman.

It's cheaper to buy a hunting and fishing license for one's friend than it is to loan him one, two Missourians learned last month. Fines of \$15 each were assessed the two men who had loaned their hunting permits. The hunters who borrowed the licenses also paid fines.

The Sikeston Standard, \$2 per year

THE EMPIRE OF THE AIR

MARCONI'S FOOT SLIPS

Remember the ra-ta-ta of the wireless spark fifteen and twenty years ago? Compared with the silent modern apparatus, wireless in those days was a crude affair. It still relied on the old telegraph system of interrupting the electric current to create a signal at the other end. Wireless made an electric spark jump across a gap; that spark had the same effect as a stone thrown into a quiet pond. It created electro-magnetic waves which spread in every direction from the point of origin at the speed of light, 186,000 miles per second. A long spark made a dash on the receiving apparatus; a short spark made a dot. Various combinations of dots and dashes spelled various letters of the alphabet, just as they did when sent over a telegraph wire. The international distress signal SOS was adopted because of its simplicity, S being represented by three dots and O by two dashes.

The original wireless receiving apparatus was just as crude as the sparking, crackling sender. Its main part consisted of a glass tube filled with tiny metal filings. The tube was sealed with metal caps at both ends and wires ran into these caps. When the filings were lying undisturbed, helter-skelter, no current could pass through them and the wires were dead. But when an electro-magnetic wave coming through the ether got into the glass tube, it neatly arranged the metal filings end to end and presto! they formed a conductor through which an electric current could flow. That current made the dot or dash while it lasted. As soon as it stopped, the tube was tapped automatically with a little hammer, the filings fell apart and got ready for the next set of radio waves.

Maxwell had predicted, Hertz had demonstrated the radio waves; Eng-

IS THIS SIKESTON?

AS I SEE IT
By I'm About Town

We know of a town in Missouri where depression is more of a joke than a calamity. One business man from that place tells the editor that 1931 was the biggest year in both gross income and net profits which he has enjoyed in the 20 years he has lived there. No, he wasn't a bootlegger. Merely a newspaper publisher. He also told of any number of other business firms which went through the year in his town making money every week and looking back now upon 1931 as a period of prosperity. The only explanation of that oasis is a desert of dried up income is the number of industries brought to it which kept sufficient payrolls to boom every sort of business. These industries were not attracted to the town because of its location, because of its people or because of anything except that the community was willing to pay the money needed to get them. It's an old saying that "money gets money", and in the case of the town we have in mind, a bargain was bought.—Shelby Democrat.

Such trick hammers and also furniture often used in motion picture comedies and during "realistic" Western fights are made of the pith of the picturesque yucca, otherwise known as the Spanish bayonet, some of which grows to a height of 30 feet. An ordinary 16-pound office chair for a movie set weighs about four ounces, and can be bounced off the head of the dashing hero without serious results.

NATURE POME

The cow does not
Give milk all year
She takes a needed rest
She stands in her emporium
—a bovine moratorium.

Newspaper publishers are confronted with many problems. Here's one. The government-maintained postoffice cockroaches ate the address label off several papers this week.

Lacy Allard wishes to inform his friends that the 'E' in the middle of his name does not stand for error.

There are two sides to everything. Even the statue of Liberty has a few prison cells located under the huge towering figure.

"When we remember that words are merely sounds, we shall conclude that the idea of representing these sounds by marks, so that whoever should at any time after see the marks would understand what sounds they meant, was a bold and ingenious conception".

In these words Abraham Lincoln characterized the world's greatest invention, the transmission of ideas, experience, and knowledge through written or printed characters.

Col. Shivel, the laundryman, was pointing out prominent persons about the other day to a fair one of the opposite sex.

"And that's Art Wallhausen", quoth the first.
"Yeah? And what's he ever done?"



NEXT time you are out of fix as the result of irregular or faulty bowel movement, try Thedford's Black-Draught for the refreshing relief it gives thousands of people who take it. Mr. E.W.Cecil, a construction superintendent in Pulaski, Va., says:

"When I get constipated, my head aches, and I have that dull, tired feeling—just not equal to my work. I don't feel hungry and I know that I need something to cleanse my system, so I take Black-Draught. We have found it a great help."

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came the snappy comeback.

Well, lady whoevyouare, once upon a time we started to build a mousetrap, but we've decided to find a picture in our saucer instead. Talk about a beaten path to your door!

The United States Government should order the War vessel aboard which are Mrs. Fortescue, Lieut. Massie and two enlisted men, charged with killing a mixed breed who was one of five who repeatedly criminally assaulted the wife of Lieut. Massie, who was the daughter of Mrs. Fortescue, to proceed to San Francisco where every honor of a home loving people could be heaped upon them.

Any man with a drop of clean red blood in his body should be willing to defend with his life, his home. Forty women have been criminally assaulted in Honolulu the past year and it should be the duty of the soldiers and sailors stationed in that port which is a part of the United States, to shoot like animals these half breeds who prey on white women.

We have often wondered just how a son of a female dog could be who would allow his wife to take such a part as did Norma Shearer in

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce N. E. Fuchs as a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor of Sikeston at the April election, subject to the will of the voters.

We are authorized to announce William E. Pate as a candidate for election to the office of Police Chief of Sikeston at the April election, subject to the will of the voters.

the film shown Sunday and Monday. Some clever lines and temper scenes were pulled, but the sensuous snuggling and loving could well have been omitted. It was no place for a fellow to take his girl.

Twenty thousand people paid \$20 apiece for admission to whoopee parties that were held in Chicago's big hotels on New Year Eve. This recalls a remark Victor Hugo makes in that greatest of novels, Les Misérables, after describing the salutes fired as a ship of war entered a home harbor and after computing what the custom costs the nations every years—"Millions for salutes, and the poor are begging for bread".—Paris Appeal.

Excelsior Springs—J. C. Keith of Kansas City, reopened Milwaukee Feed Store, located on Milwaukee Avenue.

According to the Dexter Statesman Earl Newton and Anna Roemine of Sikeston obtained a marriage license in Stoddard County recently.

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GOLF HAZARDS ARE
BOON TO RABBITS

these courses to be excellent winter havens.

Grandview—H. O. Vest purchased Altan Cafe, located at 8038 Paseo.

The residence of Atlas Peck was discovered on fire yesterday and might have been totally destroyed, but for the timely arrival of Cricket Hicks, who served valiantly as deputy Hicks, who served valiantly as deputy fire department.—Commercial Appeal



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Matinee Wednesday 3 p. m.

Thursday-Friday, January 14-15

15th—Bebe Daniels' Birthday



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COMING

Eddie Cantor in "PALMY DAYS"

Jaynet Gaynor and Charles Farrell in "DELICIOUS"

Frederic March in "DR. JECKEL AND MR. HYDE"



Bond Issue For Illmo

A bond issue of \$45,000 to provide waterworks for the city will be voted on at the polls Tuesday by citizens of Illmo. Fire insurance companies have threatened to withdraw unless protection is afforded.

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City Light, Power Plant Grosses \$13,000 Profit During First Six Months Operation

May 19, 1931 the first surge of electric power sped over the wires of the Municipal Light and Power Plant here to turn the wheels of Sikeston's industries and to light its homes and business houses.

On December 1, 1931, six months later, an audit completed this week, revealed that the plant had netted a gross profit of \$13,569.90, which, according to proponents of municipal ownership, is not at all bad for an infant industry just one-half year old.

It should be remembered that the City plant started from zero number of customers the first month, and gradually assumed more and more of the power and light load until now the plant supplies current to 1050 customers out of approximately 1250. The remaining 200 potential customers are being served by a privately operated high line corporation. With this fact in mind it should be obvious that the credit side of the ledger did not begin to show a definite, favorable trend until the plant had been in operation for approximately 60 days.

Under present operating conditions, however, with about 84 per cent of the entire load on its lines, the plant is averaging around \$2000 per month net profit. Dan G. Pepper, superintendent, cites the November and December revenues as proof for that statement. In November the total gross revenue amounted to \$5757.62 and expenses were \$1777.21, a gross profit of \$3980.41. December with its increased demands for light and power due to holiday merchandising and residential Christmas lighting was the banner month with total gross revenue of \$6115.05.

After charging off insurance, office, distribution and plant expenses the month showed a profit of \$4157.57 from which deductions of interest, depreciation, and reserve against bond retirement must be made.

Interruptions of service during the first six months total less than ten minutes for the entire time. Minor mechanical trouble at the plant accounts for four minutes of interrupted service, while the human element accounts for the remaining six.

The balance sheet for the period ending December 1, shows the following items:

REVENUE

Metered sales to residences, \$11,038.34
Metered sales for commercial purposes 9,011.46
Metered sales for power 3,850.37
Street lights and for municipal purposes 2,114.51

EXPENSES

Production costs in power plant \$7,191.21
Maintenance
Station, fuel holders, engines and misc. items... 259.04
Distribution expense—
Operation of distribution system, salaries of linemen, etc. 1,616.99

Maintenance of poles, meters conductors, service 385.02

Commercial expense, collecting 5.00

New business expense, adv. etc. 498.57

General office expense—
Bookkeeper, steno, office

supplies, insurance and mdse. legal services 3,790.61

TOTAL EXPENSE, not includ- ing depreciation, and interest on bonds..... \$13,746.44

Total revenue \$27,317.34

interest on bonds..... \$13,747.44

Gross profit \$13,569.90

Less liberal depreciation. \$3,365.52

Less interest on bonds.... 4,135.31

Total \$7,500.83

NET PROFIT FIRST SIX MONTHS \$6,069.07

If the net profit of the month of November might be taken as an average normal month, and after charging off every conceivable item of expense including depreciation and reserve for retirement of bonds and interest the plant would net the City approximately \$26,950 per year.

Municipal ownership of electric utilities in this city did not come about by chance. Ten years ago W. A. Fuller and Company, St. Louis consulting engineers, were employed to prepare preliminary plans and estimates for such a plant to be operated in connection with the municipally owned waterworks system. Interest in the proposition lagged and the position was finally dropped.

In 1929 The Sikeston Standard, a semi-weekly publication, began gathering data from nearby Municipal Light and Power Plants, and from time to time called attention to successful plants in operation in Missouri and in other States as well.

Not until spring, 1930, did the proposal come to a vote. The election was held April 1, 'all fools day', 1930 and the proposal, a \$150,000 bond issue proposition, carried by a small majority. After a legal battle, the Missouri Supreme Court in the fall of that year handed down an interpretation favorable to the proposal.

The City Council, previously elected on "light plant plank", let the contract for a complete turn key job on November 25, 1930, for a total of \$123,600, to Fairbanks Morse & Company. The bid included two 600-HP Diesel motors and auxiliary equipment, a building, storage tanks, cooling tower, white way, switch board, and complete distribution, and on May 19, 1931 the first juice was manufactured and sold to Sikeston consumers from their own plant.

Control of the plant is vested in a Board of Public Works appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council. The Board selects the personnel of the plant and office which includes only eight, Dan G. Pepper, superintendent, Ed Minter chief engineer, August Little and Charles W. Praul, assistant plant engineers, Harry Hambrick and Guy Beck, linemen and trouble shooters, bookkeeper, Miss Ruth McCoy, and stenographer, Miss Tyleen Kendall. All billing is done by automatic bookkeeping machines, and only the best, up-to-the-minute systems prevail in plant and office.

DEMPSTER ATTENDS PHILCO RADIO CONVENTION MONDAY

George Dempster, local Philco radio dealer, spent today (Monday) in Cape Girardeau attending the district Philco radio convention. He has received word that the new Philco Mystery Model will be shown to the dealers, for the first time, at this convention.

Mr. Dempster reports that he has enjoyed unusual success with the Philco merchandise in the past and expresses the opinion that Philco will again have a radio line which is of the highest quality and reasonably priced.

BOWMAN Employed in Dexter

Charles Bowman, of Sikeston, has joined the staff of the Scott County Milling Co. here as grain inspector and manager of the elevator. He has had six years experience, having been grain inspector in St. Louis.—Dexter Statesman.

Mesdames Robert Mow, Earl Johnson and Ben Welter are entertaining with a bridge luncheon at the Hotel Marshall Wednesday.

BENTON LAD BREAKS LEG IN CAGE GAME

"Fat" Lawrence, regular guard on the Benton high school basketball game broke his right leg during the Cape Central-Benton tilt Friday night during the first official game on the Tiger's schedule played in Houck Field House. The injury came in the third quarter when Lawrence and two other players clashed violently and fell apart. The right leg snapped in two between the knee and ankle, with a report that could be heard all over the house.

Benton trailed at the half 20 to 9, and the five was gradually closing up the gap when Lawrence was carried from the game. The boys were within four points of evening the score in the third frame, but the injury to their regular guard demoralized the team, and the small town cagers lost the game.

JACKSON DAY BANQUET

Friday morning The Standard editor accompanied Tom Scott, Ray B. Lucas, C. C. White and Col. Stowers went to Springfield, Mo., to attend the Jackson Day banquet and meet the declared and prospective candidates for State offices.

Leaving Sikeston at 3:00 a.m. the trip of more than 260 miles was made in record time, the party reaching Springfield at 10:00 after breakfasting at Poplar Bluff at 4:30 and stopping for gas at numerous places.

The Colonial Hotel in that city was the headquarters of the candidates who were all busy welcoming voters from every section. Our delegation called to pay our respects to Russell Dearmont first, in whose behalf we hoped to labor.

We called to pay our respects to Francis M. Wilson, the splendid Democrat who is opposing our neighbor, Dearmont. In the lobby candidates and their friends were busy introducing themselves and asking for consideration at the polls. Dwight Brown, for Secretary of State, was one of the first we met, followed by Chas. M. Howell of Kansas City and Chas. M. Hay of St. Louis for United States Senator. Col. Bennett Clark of St. Louis, for the same office, was present, but we didn't get to meet him.

Candidates for Supreme Judgeships were in the majority, there being four vacancies to fill. Perhaps these lawyers preferred a stated salary for ten years in preference to a questionable living during the Hoover prosperity.

During the day there was nothing but militant Democracy in evidence, but after the banquet, some jubilant Democracy. Plenty of Democratic women were present to add tone and dignity, beside to spread talcum odor with the tobacco odor.

Last year the Jackson Day banquet in the same city seated 900 people, this time 2000 plates were served and hundred or two guests turned away.

At 8:15 the toastmaster announced that the speaker of the occasion, Jas. A. Reed, delayed by car trouble, had just arrived, but very tired. He then introduced 30 or 40 would-be officeholders, who bowed, smile, and looked pleasant.

The Southeast Missouri delegation who were present in behalf of Russell Dearmont, felt that perhaps we were in enemy territory, feared the demonstration for our favorite would be mild to that of Senator Wilson, but was happy that the ovation to Russell was equal to, if not superior, to that accorded Wilson. The applause for Hay was deafening as was that for Dwight Brown.

The Southeast Missouri delegations present felt that Russell was gaining ground rapidly and when the primary rolls around will be the nominee of his party. It was friendly rivalry in every camp and all pledged support for the ticket from President to Constable.

Our party left Springfield at 9:00 arriving at Sikeston at 3:00 happy that we made the trip and safe at home.

WALDRIP TO ADDRESS WOMAN'S CLUB TUESDAY

Dr. Marion Waldrup of Cape Girardeau, formerly pastor of the Methodist Church in Columbia, will address members of the Woman's Club Tuesday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. F. E. Bates. All members are urged to attend.

Mesdames Robert Mow, Earl Johnson and Ben Welter are entertaining with a bridge luncheon at the Hotel Marshall Wednesday.

RECEIVERS NAMED FOR LARGE PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY

Charleston, January 7.—The dispatches in Saturday and Sunday papers to the effect that the American Commonwealths Corporation, a Delaware Corporation, had admitted insolvency and had been placed in the hands of receivers cast a bit of gloom in Charleston and some uneasiness as to whether holders of preferred stock in the Missouri Utilities Company, a subsidiary company, was endangered.

It is known there is considerable stock of this latter company held by local citizens and a panicky condition prevailed among the owners of this stock. Inquiries at the local office were made and there was considerable discussion upon the streets.

Following closely upon the heels of the news of such receivership, dispatches from Fort Worth, Texas, were that properties of the Louisiana-Texas Power Company and 11 subsidiary concerns had been placed in the hands of receivers, receivership action having been taken by a Fort Worth concern whose unsecured claim of \$6725.33 for goods, wares and merchandise. The Company admitted the allegations of plaintiff, and states the company is solvent.

The Community Power and Light Company, with offices in the Cotton Belt Building, St. Louis, is a subsidiary of the American Commonwealths Power Corporation. E. J. Costigan vice president, and Walter H. Timm secretary-treasurer of Community Power and Light, said last night, American Commonwealths owns the common stock of Community Power and Light, they said.

Community Power and Light, incorporated in Delaware, has assets of \$30,000,000, according to its December, 1930, balance sheet, and furnishings through subsidiaries, electric power, gas, ice and water to 172 communities in Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, New Mexico and Kansas. Missouri towns to which it furnishes light and power include Cape Girardeau, Poplar Bluff, Charleston, Eldon and California. It supplies gas to Columbia.

David A. Beldon, president of Community Power and Light, is in New York. Costigan referred a reporter to Timm when asked for a statement. Timm would not make a statement saying he would get in touch with Beldon and ask him to make one.

Common stock, represented by 250,000 no par shares, was listed at \$2,500,000 in 1930, first preferred at \$6,896,500 and subsidiary preferred at \$1,103,500.

A call at the office of the Public Utilities Company to learn whether preferred stockholders would be affected by the receivership of the parent company revealed, said Mr. Hill, local manager, that the value of the stock or the dividends were affected.

The only effect, said Mr. Hill after getting in touch with officials of the Company, were the cashing of stock certificates would be somewhat delayed. Usually one can obtain the cash value within 48 hours after surrender of certificates.

Mr. Hill was not certain just how much time it would require to obtain the money for stock, but, he said, the dividends will be forthcoming on time as usual and the stock was worth its face value, \$100 per share. The usual charge of \$2 per share for cashing would be charged against holders wishing to cash their stock, subject to delay.

The image was placed on display in White's Drug Store window Monday afternoon.

THE BOILER'S BROKE HURRAH! ! NO SCHOOL

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A check valve on the boiler had been giving trouble for some time, and finally the break became so provoking that steam fitters and plumbers were called in to correct "leakage of the heart" of the steam plant.

WAGESTER-MILLER

Mrs. Lillian Miller received a message announcing the marriage of her daughter, Miss Justice, to Dr. Chas. Wagester, of St. Louis, Saturday, January 9. Dr. Wagester is a senior in the medical school of the Washington University and completes his course this June.

Miss Miller is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Lillian Miller and the late Dr. T. V. Miller. She is a graduate of the Sikeston high school, and has been engaged in her profession as nurse for the past few years.

The newlyweds are spending a few days in Chicago.

The Standard joins their many friends in extending congratulations and good wishes for a long and useful life.

BINGO PARTY

The regular weekly bingo party will be held in the school hall Wednesday afternoon and the ladies are cordially invited.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club will meet Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. P. E. Bates, with Mrs. R. L. Burns as leader. All members are urged to attend.

Mrs. Ella Old expects to return from Memphis, Tenn.

STATE UNIVERSITY TO HIKE FEES

Columbia, January 6.—A general increase in student fees at the University of Missouri to meet the financial condition created by a decrease in State revenues was announced here yesterday by President Walter Williams.

Both students at the Missouri School of Mines at Rolla, a division of the university, and in the university here, will be affected.

Student fees, Dr. Williams pointed out, have provided approximately a seventh of the university's income, and this year with the appropriations reduced, will provide a higher percentage. During the 1931-32 biennial period they are estimated at \$580,000.

The principal fee—known as the library, hospital and incidental fee and paid by each student—has been increased from \$30 to \$40 a semester beginning next September, and from \$25 to \$30 for the summer term beginning with the 1932 session.

A registration fee of \$10, to be paid by each student upon his matriculation at the university, is one of two new fees put into effect. The other is a library fee in the School of Law, which amounts to \$10 a semester.

FORMER SIKESTON SENDS QUEER PRESENT FROM CENTRAL AMERICA

A very real likeness of a Mayo Indian, native of Central America, carved on an unshelled cocoanut by Mrs. W. T. Stain, while she and her husband were visiting in British Honduras, was received here today by Mrs. W. M. Robertson. Mrs. W. T. Stain is better known to friends here as Emma Robertson.

The Mayo Chieftain's image looks lifelike, and is carved out of an unusually large unshelled cocoanut. Eyes and teeth are made of white paper.

Mrs. Robertson states that the food supply does not particularly worry natives of the Central American province recently visited by her daughter. Bananas, cocoanuts and other native fruits and vegetables are at be almost for the asking.

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Mr. and Mrs. Barney Forrester entertained with two tables of bridge Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hahn of St. Louis visited several days last week with Miss Mildred Myers, returning to their home, Monday.

RUSSELL-BRADLEY SOCIETY

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society of the Methodist church will have their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Clarence Felker with Mrs. Jas. Kevil as assisting hostess.

The Tuesday Bridge Club will be entertained by Mrs. Murray Phillip at her home on

SHIP BY TRUCK FOR SPEED AND ECONOMY—Delivered right to your door safely and at less cost. When ordering merchandise from Saint Louis telephone GArfield 7491, explain your order, give name of company the order is to come from, etc., and it will come out the same day and be delivered next morning to you. Mr. Merchant, protect your home truck company. POTASHNICK TRUCK SERVICE, *the oldest truck line serving Southeast Missouri daily.*

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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Rates:
Reading notices, per line.....10c
Bank statements.....\$10.00
Yearly subscription in Scott and the adjoining counties.....\$2.00
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the United States.....\$2.50

Ed Fuchs is out for re-election as Mayor of Sketon. He says everybody knows him, and knows whether he has proven satisfactory or not, and it is up to them to give him another term. He makes no rash promise but will do his best to give the city a good business administration.

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C. E. Reid writes us from Hayti calling our attention to a paragraph in The Standard which stated that Bennett Clark was a single man, when in fact, he has a son 8 years of age and twin boys, 3 years of age. Or, at least, his wife has.

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Under the head of money, notes and bonds, Missourians list \$127,000,000 for taxation. In Missouri banks, however, they have more than ten times that much in actual cash on deposit and probably 25 times that much in notes and bonds. There's no use talking about relieving real estate of tax burdens until we have the guts to assess all this wealth that now goes untouched.—Paris Appeal.

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Arthur Hyde of Missouri told women listeners in New York that Mr. Hoover was a real fighting leader, and it must be so, but we have so far heard of no evidence to that effect. Some women will believe anything, but few will believe Secretary Hyde's statement.

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Better times are ahead. The number of \$2.00 bills in circulation has been reduced materially, and the army of lurking hoodooes decimated accordingly. Joking aside, of what use is the \$2 bill anyhow? The arguments for keeping it alive as a medium of exchange, would be just as cogent when stated with respect to a \$3.00 bill. The \$2.00 bill could be retired to the cabinets of curio collectors with as little inconvenience as marked the passing of the almost forgotten two-cent piece.

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In another column is the announcement of William E. Pate for Chief of Police of the City of Sketon, subject to the will of the voters at the April election. Mr. Pate is a splendid citizen, a man of mature years and sound judgment and promises, if elected, to follow instructions of the Mayor and Council, and do his best to enforce the laws of the land.

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A British visitor finds that we are a nation of hero worshippers, and the facts seem to bear him out. The New Years Day line for the President's public reception began to form before one o'clock in the morning.

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We have a friend who is going to be rich ten or twenty years hence. He has recently purchased nearly a thousand acres of good farm land at ridiculous prices. He had one-fourth of the purchase price to pay down and got twenty-five years on the balance at very low interest rates. He is in the prime of his life and very industrious. He owns considerable stock and has some money left. Strange to say, he has been a renter until now. One good crop of three cent cotton and forty cent corn will pay his total indebtedness. Still, he has land enough now and should stop buying Toadam much is one of the things that brought us where we are.

—Malden Merit.

LOCALS SPLIT DOUBLEHEADER WITH MOREHOUSE

MOTHER OF JOHN A. AND GUY YOUNG DIES IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Morehouse cagers spilled the dope Friday evening, when the visiting girls' team, touted as superior to the locals, lost 31 to 21, while the boys trounced the Bulldogs 15 to 9 to upset the predictions of an easy Sketon victory.

Sells, star forward of the Sketon six, rolled up a total of 25 markers for her squad after she found the distance. In the first quarter Sketon maintained a slight three-point lead, 6 to 3, increasing it 8 to 4 at the half.

The locals finally got organized and at the three-quarter mark had the game on ice 9 to 5, and closed the struggle with the long end of 31 to 21.

Williams, forward on the visiting six, was high point scorer for Morehouse with 14 points. Parrish made the remaining 7 markers.

The score:

Morehouse 21	Sketon 31
Williams, f 14	Sells, f 25
Parrish, f 7	Baker, f 6
Green, jc	Dunn, Je
Fisher, rc	Powell, c
Height, g	Frey, g
Usrey, g	Ward, g
Hart, g	McCoy, g
Smith, g	

The Sketon boys seemed to be dead on their feet the first half holding the score 7 to 6, favor of Morehouse. The visitors kept Daniels rather well guarded allowing him only one toss at the basket, and that was good for two points. Malone made a toss from the court and received a free throw, while Caverno made one and missed one from the line to end the scoring in the first half.

A basket in the second half and one free throw proved to be the extent of the Sketon scoring ability during the remainder of the game, while Harlen of Morehouse broke loose for two perfect shots for four points. Comer added two and Crumpecker added two free tosses to cinch the game with 15 points.

Both Sketon teams will journey to Charleston Friday evening for the first encounter of the season with their friendly enemies the Bluejays. Matthews invades the local court one week from that date, and promises to bring the entire north half of New Madrid County to back the team.

The score:

Morehouse 15	Sketon 9
Wilkins, f	Daniels, f 3
Comer, f 2	Engram, f
Zellmer, c	Malone, f 3
Cline, c	Limbough, f
Crumpecker, g, 4	Caverno, c, 1
Harlan, g 9	Moll, g
	Watson, g, 2
	Sharp, g

LEGIONNAIRES TO VISIT CARBONDALE THIS WEEK ON AIRPORT PROPOSITION

Art L. Sensenbaugh, chairman of the Legion committee charged with determining costs of an airport here, and Logmin Mayfield, member of the committee, plan to leave Sketon Monday evening or Tuesday morning to investigate the Legion Airport at Carbondale, Ill., where Legionnaires have maintained an approved landing field for several years.

Let's advertise our way back to Prosperity.

Mary Boyer is able to be out again after being confined to her home with the chicken pox.

Mesdames Arthur Barrett, R. C. Matthews and John Tanner drove to Cape Girardeau, Thursday.

Shad Old, young son of Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Old, is recovering nicely from an attack of scarlet fever.

Judge and Mrs. Wallace Applegate left Sunday for Denver, Colo. They expect to be away about ten days.

MOTHER OF JOHN A. AND GUY YOUNG DIES IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA

John A. and Guy Young of this city were notified Sunday of the death that morning in Tulsa, Okla., of their mother, Safrona A. Young, who was stricken with paralysis on January 1 this year.

The body will be brought here Tuesday and removed to the family home in Bertrand, where funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 o'clock with Rev. J. F. E. Bates officiating. Interment will be in Oak Grove Cemetery, near Charleston, with members of the Charleston Eastern Star in charge.

Mrs. Young was born March 9, 1851 at Woodbury, Ky., and with her husband and family moved to Cape Girardeau County 56 years ago, establishing their home in Millerville. About twelve years later the family moved to Bertrand, where a permanent home was established, and where Mrs. Young resided until the death of her husband in 1913. Since that time she has been making her home with her several children, going to Tulsa eighteen months ago to live with her three daughters and son in that city.

Mrs. Young was the mother of ten children, six of whom are living. They are besides John A. and Guy Young of this city, Mrs. Parham Stone, Mrs. Claude Bowman, Mrs. Annie Lassister and Carr T. Young, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

LOCAL DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS MAY ATTEND VET ROUNDUP IN CLAYTON

Members of Henry Meldrum Post 114 drum and bugle corps were to vote Monday evening on the question of sending the corps to Clayton, Mo., to attend a Veterans Roundup January 20 and 21. Prizes, it is understood, are to be given to all drum and bugle corps attending, and the local boys this time have hopes of entering the big money instead of the booby prize list.

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BASKETBALL ATTENDANCE IMPROVING SAYS ELLISE

Response to personal invitations mailed out by Superintendent Roy V. Ellise to local business and professional men to attend basketball games, and other school activities more regularly, met with hearty response last Friday night, when the largest crowd of the season composed of Sketon and Morehouse patrons enjoyed the doubleheader game. Several men mailed checks for \$1 in payment for tickets, saying that they or members of their family would attend. Special prices were placed in effect last week, and will continue throughout the season, including tournaments this spring.

A man who was injured by a falling timber in a barn which he was tearing down, crawled from one pile of rubbish to another, and set them afire successively, to keep from being frozen to death. There is hope for the world so long as courageous and resourceful people are left in it.

We were among the few who questioned the merits of the moratorium when the president proposed it. We said then that it was a financial and political bungle game of the worst sort. And that is exactly what it has turned out to be. International bankers are saving their skins at the expense of the American people.—Paris Appeal.

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RECOVER LOOT TAKEN BY PAIR IN BANK THEFT

FINALS THIS WEEK KEEP STUDENTS HERE OUT OF MISCHIEF

Benton, January 8.—Secreted under a clump of grass, \$1149 in money, representing the remainder of the loot taken Monday afternoon in the holdup of the Bank of Blodgett, was found late Thursday afternoon after one of the bandit trio led officers to the hiding place.

Although at first denying he knew the whereabouts of the money, Lon Vanover, the third man to confess complicity in the robbery plot, called Sheriff Tom Scott to his cell in the county jail late Thursday and revealed to him the cache.

Covered With Grass

Accompanied by Chief Walter Kendall of Sketon, Sheriff Scott took Vanover to the place where he said he secreted the three bags of money after picking them up at the side of the highway Monday afternoon after the two men who actually staged the holdup, Bill Charlton and Jerry Savage, had tossed it from their speeding automobile by a prearranged plan.

The bags were beneath a small clump of grass, not very well hidden, but sufficiently covered to escape observation of the casual searcher. The cache was about three-quarters of a mile from the highway near the Silent Hill church where the bandits had tossed the money into the highway.

The money, when brought back to Benton, was counted by Sheriff Scott, Prosecuting Attorney M. E. Montgomery and George W. Pearman and W. E. Buchanan, cashier and president of the Bank. They said that only \$35 was missing, according to their check of the bank records. The remainder may have been lost in the scramble of the bandits, while a small amount was spent by Savage and Charlton, who took \$100 of the money before throwing the rest into the road.

Tried Guilty

Formal charges of first degree robbery with a deadly weapon under the Henry law have been filed against the three men, and the maximum sentence may be death or life imprisonment. However, lesser punishment may be given inasmuch as this is believed to be their first robbery.

All the men have said they will enter the pleas of guilty to the charges, and it is expected a special term of Scott County Court will be held to expedite their sentence.—Cape Missourian.

FOR RENT—Modern apartment—734 North Ranney, phone 236. tf-27.

FOR RENT, LEASE or SALE—Restaurant business in Kewanee, operated, owned by Myrtle Byers. Will stand investigation. 4tpd-29.

LOST—A black and white fox terrier puppy about 8 months old, answering to the name of "Trey". Information leading to his recovery will be thankfully received and reward be given by John Blanton, 5 years of age, of Sketon.

And Buying Smoked Glasses

According to reports from the big winter resorts in Florida and California, the popular sports these days is sun bathing. This probably is in keeping with the "dry" ideas of the 18th constitutional amendment and the modern belief that "the bather the better," nature having given our early ancestors nothing more than a fig leaf for material with which to make clothing. We will give you an eye-witness description of sun bathing just as soon as our banker advises that conditions justify us spending a few weeks or months at a winter resort. Just now we are too busy to get away, too busy counting money to see if there is enough to pay interest, insurance, rent, etc.—Shelburne Democrat.

The Wild Onion School, which was dismissed last week on account of the scholars having to help the team win at the football game, resumed its studies in time to dismiss for Christmas.—Commercial Appeal.

Thrift Dinners Are Economical; They Save Both Time and Money



By JOSEPHINE GIBSON

Director, Heinz Food Institute

BUSY Winter days often leave little time for preparation of elaborate dinners, and at such times we are especially thankful for the wealth of prepared and semi-prepared foods that enable us to serve delicious dinners at low cost and with little effort. The menu suggested below is a thrifty one, prepared in a very short time. The Spaghetti is perfectly seasoned, prepared ready to heat and serve; the tiny sausage cakes cook quickly; the vegetable may come from the supply shelf; the salad requires but a few minutes; and the dessert is the nicest surprise of all in this quick-time meal. Refrigerator Gingerbread may be mixed on Monday and kept covered in the refrigerator all week, or longer, ready to pour into the pan and bake when you wish to serve it fresh and hot. The topping to be served on it is a quick one,

Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce with Small Sausage Cakes* Buttered Green Beans or Spinach Pineapple and Sliced Grape Salad* French Dressing Whole Wheat Bread Butter Refrigerator Gingerbread* with Apple Butter Topping* Coffee

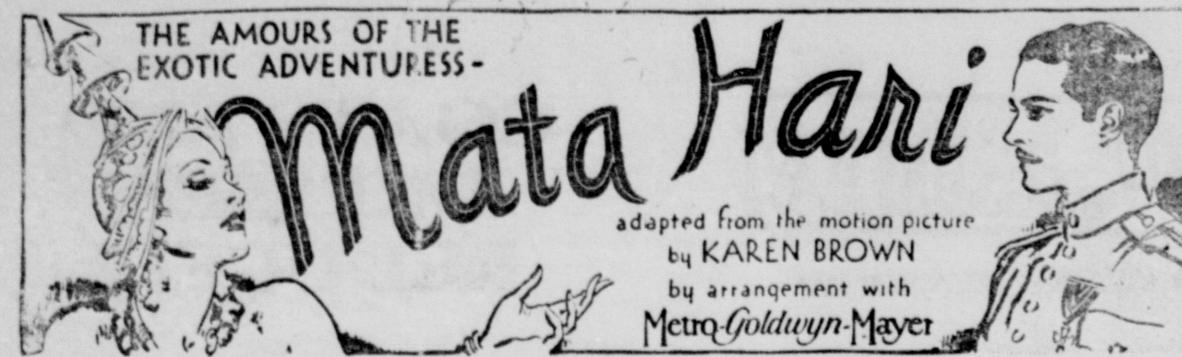
*Indicates recipes are given below

Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce with Small Sausage Cakes—1 medium can Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce; 1 pound sausage. Form sausage into small cakes and brown slowly. Remove from frying pan and pour off all but one tablespoonful fat from pan. Place cooked Spaghetti in pan and allow to heat thoroughly. Heap Spaghetti in center of hot platter, surround with sausage cakes, garnish with sprigs of parsley or slices of pickle and serve.

Pineapple and Sliced Grape Salad—6 slices pineapple; 1 pound Manilaga grapes; 1 small head lettuce. In nests of crisp lettuce place pineapple rings. On each place mound of grapes that have been cut in half and seeded. Serve with French Dressing. (Skin may be cut from grapes, if desired.)

Refrigerator Gingerbread with

Apple Butter Topping—1/



Chapter III

WHAT HAS HAPPENED SO FAR

Alexander Rosanoff, an aviator in the Russian secret service, delivers a jacket of confidential papers to the Russian Embassy in Paris and persuades Colonel Shubin, ranking Attache, to take him to see the famous Mata Hari perform an exotic dance. Later, fascinated by the woman, he follows her to a gambling casino where she has gone to meet Adriana, owner of the resort and an enemy spy. Here she is told of the papers and promises to get them from Shubin. Rosanoff notices that she adores a ring offered for sale by one of the girls.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

THE RING

"... dear, you look sad. Did you lose, too?"

Rosanoff started out of his reverie and recognized the girl as the one who had offered the ring at the chemise de fer table. Involuntarily, he glanced at her hand and saw that she still wore it. She was a hungry-looking

thing I am obliged to sell it and it goes to some other woman. Well—there's no use struggling against one's fate. How much money have you?"

After a prolonged search through his pockets, he produced barely five hundred francs.

The girl made a little clucking sound of disappointment. Then, suddenly, she thrust the ring into his hand. "Here, take it. Mind you send me the rest in the morning! Send it here, to Mlle. Clothilde."

"Oh, I will," he said eagerly. "Upon my word of honor!"

"Upon his word of honor!" And when he left she was still muttering between ripples of bitter mirth, "Indeed yes! ... Upon his word of honor—honor!"

The bargain had taken perhaps five minutes to conclude, but to Rosanoff it had seemed interminable and he could hardly restrain himself from running through the rooms to find out whether the dancer had already vanished. In one of the alcoves near the bar he caught sight of the familiar golden dress and he was none too soon, for she and the officers who had accompanied her were making plans for departure.

After the crotchet's shrill soprano, Mata Hari's grave, deep intonation was like a powerful drug—an aphrodisiac. The old Marquis had dozed off, and the officers suggested that they leave him and go on to breakfast. The dancer, however, said no, that he was an "old darling" and it was way past his bed-time, and she shook him, but gently,

"Come, papa," she said. "Wake up—we're going home."

And Rosanoff's heart sank to his boots. From the familiarity of her tones he guessed that they were going home together—the old wreck and the golden woman. He had been a fool not to anticipate something of the sort. But why one so sensible? Were there not enough young men in Paris wealthy enough to please her?

The officers accepted their dismissal as a foregone conclusion. They kissed her hand and she swept past on the arm of the old man, who still blinked with sleep. A servant bundled him into a multitude of wraps, while Mata Hari stood by, shoulders, throat and dress hidden by her furs, only the profile showing as motionless in relief as if it were stamped on a medalion.

And, at the last minute, Rosanoff could not, would not, let her go.

"Mademoiselle—I beg your pardon just one moment."

"Yes?"

He stammered with the shock of being actually addressed by her, face to face.

"A little while ago—I happened to overhear—you admired this ring."

"Why—yes."

You admired it—and—and I thought you might like to have it. Please accept it—as a token of my profound admiration."

Surprised and none too pleased, the girl retorted, "Not your beaux yeux alone, my dear, I can assure you."

"What an ideal!" she said. "As if it is not enough to lose at cards, one must lose at love, too. I am not a jeweler, selling rings!" She paused in what appeared to be the extreme of indignation, then finished quite calmly.

"Ten thousand francs to you, my dear, because you are a handsome young man with a sweet little mustache and a Russian, n'est-ce-pas?"

"I haven't ten thousand francs on me," said Rosanoff with a sigh.

"What! And you're a Russian! But all Russians are rich!"

"If you would let me have the ring," he pleaded, "I will give you all the money I have on me and send you far more than the remainder in the morning."

But she burst out laughing in a way that made Rosanoff flush to his ears and declared that indeed, yes! he knew such promises.

There was obviously no clemency to be expected from her and Rosanoff had turned away sure that his only plan was blocked when she came flying after him.

"I hope you haven't cut that woman's throat," she said, smiling but not yet accepting the ring.

"I didn't have to," replied Rosanoff more freely. "I merely bought it for you."

The dancer looked him up and down curiously. He thought that she was even a little flattered and he plucked up enough heart to return the look with undisguised, if not too bold, fervor. Slowly, she took the ring out of his hands and slipped it on her finger.

"How clever of you!" she said, lost in some reflection. Then, raising her eyes, "It's charming."

COMING!
To the Malone Theatre Soon



"Close your eyes," she said, "or you'll be blinded."

little thing, rather like a famished bird of prey.

"You had no luck, then?" he said, indicating the ring.

"No. Never any luck. But come," she said, drawing her arm through his. "We will console each other. You had no luck either. I see it in your face."

No, but wait—what did you want for your ring?"

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FLEMING BORROWS FROM EDISON

This is the age of high and higher speed. By applying great pressure, scientists hope soon to hatch eggs in twenty-four hours instead of the old-fashioned twenty-one days. Next year Reno marriage licenses will have a divorce coupon that becomes valid when both parties sign it. By air, by auto, by train, by wire and via the ether everything moves much faster than it did twenty years ago. Only the stock has slowed down.

Twenty-five years ago Henry Ford was building racing cars that reached the dizzy speed of 50 miles an hour. Dasha Valley Scotty roared across the country in a special train in less than four days. One could talk up to two hundred miles by telephone. At Kittyhawk the Wright brothers were experimenting with a flying machine. In every field of invention the germ of speed was incubating. . . .

In the new field of wireless telegraphy scores of technical men were endeavoring to improve the spark and arc systems of generating radio waves sufficiently powerful to establish reliable wireless service across the Atlantic, but they were still ten years from their goal. Others, principally American technicians, had turned to the almost untouched field of wireless telephony. And in this field they were gradually concentrating their attention on one of Edison's inventions, the incandescent electric light lamp.

Take a look at the lamp before you. It's a glass bulb from which the air has been partially exhausted. A filament of tungsten wire runs thru the hermetically sealed base. When you turn the switch, an electric current runs through the tungsten wire and raises it to a white heat, whereupon it emits light waves.

But it emits something else. Back in the seventies Edison had inserted a piece of metal in the tube, insulated from the filament by connected outside to the positive pole of the electric battery which heated the filament. And he had observed that whenever the filament got hot, the metal plate became electrically active. A current flowed through it.

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Versailles—Plans underway to reorganize First National Bank of this city.

"Effect", mentioned it in electrical texts books and forgot about it until wireless came along and the atom was chopped up into even smaller pieces, the negative electrons and the positive particle called proton.

Then the Edison Effect was explained. It was found that very hot metal shot large numbers of free electrons into the surrounding space. They were negatively charged. When a positively charged cold metal plate was put near the hot metal filament, the electrons hopped through the vacuum to the plate. In other words, an electric current flowed from the hot filament to the cold plate, the electrons traveling down the wire, through the battery back to the filament.

But they could not travel the other way. The metal plate, being cold, could emit none of its free electrons.

Current could only flow from the hot to the cold side; it could not come back.

This particular quality of the gadget gave Prof. J. A. Fleming an idea. Why not take this one-way tube or valve, connect it with the wires sticking out into the air waiting for radio waves, hook some telephone receivers into the tuner circuit and see what would happen?

He tried it. And the one-way electrical valve made his aerial talk.

The heart of radio, the most important invention of the present century, was about to come into being. But nobody knew it. In 1905 Fleming patented his electrical valve, the vacuum tube with the hot filament and the cold plate, got a patent even though Edison had built the same kind of gadget thirty years before, and sold the patent to the Marconi company. Marconi didn't think much of it. The tube would detect radio waves and make them faintly audible, but a piece of crystal would do the same thing. Anyway, he was interested in wireless telegraphy, in a sending, not receiving, apparatus. He did not dream that twenty years later the vacuum tube would have put all other types of radio transmitters out of business.

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Knox City—Miller & Sales shipped five carloads of hogs to St. Louis markets.

HIGHWAY WORK TO AID UNEMPLOYED THIS WINTER

The State Highway Commission, since October 1, 1931, has greatly aided the unemployment situation in Missouri by the awarding of \$1,116,000 of contracts for the production of road materials to be used in the construction of roads and bridges next summer. The contracts provide for the production, transportation and storing of 233,950 tons of crushed stone, 263,000 tons of concrete gravel and 264,200 tons of sand. The work of producing and stockpiling this large volume of material is being done this winter and is furnishing employment to a large number of quarrymen, gravel workers, railroad men, truckmen, checkers and inspectors.

In Division 10, the Commission has awarded a contract for the stockpiling of 14,000 tons of paving gravel and 9,000 tons of sand for work on U. S. 60, Stoddard County. This material is being produced from local deposits in the northern part of Stoddard County.

During December, the State Highway Commission let \$3,400,000 in road construction contracts. There were one hundred projects in the December letting, the largest number of sections ever let by the Department at one letting.

Forty-four of the above projects are supplementary or farm-to-market roads and will furnish winter work to many local communities if weather conditions will permit road operations. Most of the projects include bridges and culverts which will be constructed this winter and furnish additional winter work for bridge men. One of the standard provisions of the highway contracts provides for the employment of local labor as far as possible.

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STATE TROUT HATCHERIES AT PEAK PRODUCTION

Missouri trout hatcheries are now in the height of their 1932 production, according to G. M. Kirby, chief of hatcheries. More than two million rainbow trout eggs are available for hatching this season, he says.

Spawning operations have been underway at Bennett Spring, Squiota and Roaring River hatcheries since the trout season closed November 1. This work will continue until near the opening of the season March 1. For third time the Missouri department exchanged some of the surplus rainbow trout eggs for rainbow trout spawn. There are now 100,000 brown trout eggs being cared for at the Bennett Spring hatchery.

Brownies from the distribution made two seasons ago will be of catchable size during the 1932 season.

Excelsior Springs—Mrs. Pearl Atwood purchased Sanitary Lunchroom on Thompson Avenue from George Lieder.

Birch Tree—W. J. Eaton started erection of frame building on West Street leading to highway where he will open auto body-repair shop.

The aboriginal red men of Cuba, believed to have numbered about a million in 1492, had become entirely extinct by the end of the 16th century.

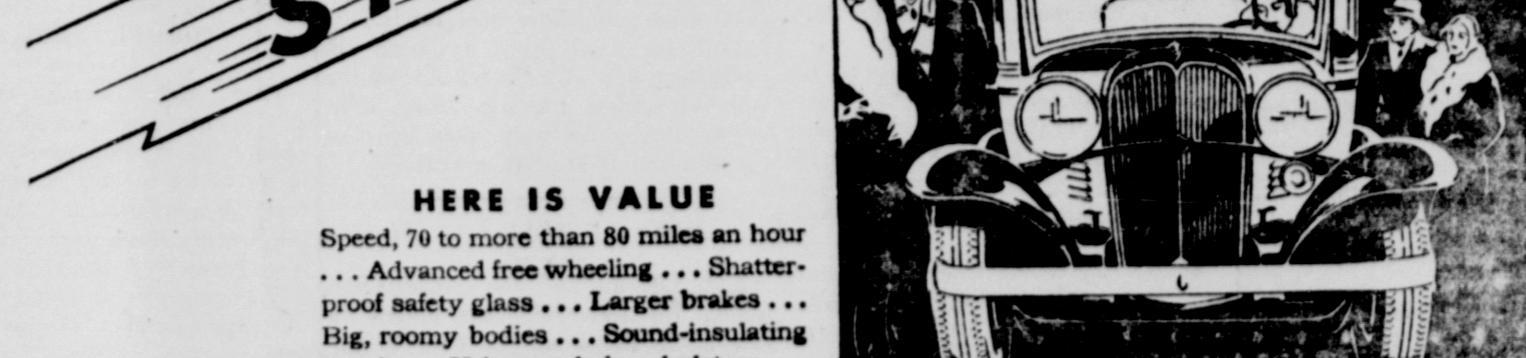
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Oven Baked Bean Sandwiches Are Ideal for Winter Lunches



By JOSEPHINE GIBSON
Director, Heinz Food Institute

HOT baked bean sandwiches, or sandwiches of baked beans in combination with other foods, form a substantial, appetizing main dish for winter lunches. These may be of the hot type if the family lunches at home or may be used in sandwiches which offer interesting variety for the packed lunch. If the idea seems a bit unusual look carefully at the recipes below and you readily will understand why baked bean sandwiches deserve the prominent place they are receiving in outstanding tea rooms the country over. Such sandwiches not only are delightful in appearance and flavor, but are nutritious, for baked beans are a valuable source of calcium and iron as well as an excellent protein food.

Broiled Bean Sandwich—6 slices bread; Butter; 1 medium can Oven Baked Beans (Boston Style); $\frac{1}{2}$ package American cheese; 6 strips bacon. Place slices of buttered bread on a baking sheet. Spread generously with Baked Beans. Cut cheese in 6 lengthwise slices and place a slice on each sandwich on top of beans. Top each with a slice of bacon. Place under low broiler flame 5 minutes or until cheese is melted and bacon crisp. Serve hot garnished with Chow Chow Pickle. Serves 6.

Baked Bean, Bacon and Olive Sandwich—3 slices toast for each sandwich to be made; $\frac{1}{4}$ pound bacon, sliced thin; 1 small bottle Stuffed Spanish Olives, sliced; 1 medium can Oven Baked Beans (with Pork and Tomato Sauce). Fry bacon until crisp and brown. Add sliced olives and allow to heat in the fat. Heat Baked Beans according to directions on label of package. On first slice of toast, place a generous layer of hot beans, cover with a second slice of toast; add slices of bacon and olives. Add third slice of toast. Cut sandwich in half diagonally and garnish with slices of Genuine Dill Pickle or with additional olives. Serve with knife and fork. This sandwich, with a hot beverage, makes a nourishing and satisfying winter luncheon.

CHARLESTON MISSION GROUPS REORGANIZE

Charleston, January 7.—The four circles of the Missionary Society of the Methodist church met Wednesday afternoon at the homes for reorganization for the year 1932. Circle No. 1 met at the home of Mrs. E. E. Oliver, with thirteen members present. The following officers were elected to serve for the year:

Chairman—Mrs. George Kirk
Secretary—Mrs. E. E. Oliver
Treasurer—Mrs. Seth Rowe
Supply Superintendent—Mrs. Garrett Waggoner

Members of this Circle are Misses Georgia Roberts and Cora Simpson and Mesdames Beth Cox, Bob Oliver, Seth Rowe, H. M. Brown, E. A. Story, Alice Swank, Paul Moore, L. T. Berrett, the Garnett Waggoner, Mary Thompson, Mary Moore, Louise Tharp, Fred Davis, Frank Lair, Jr., John Bird, Elmer Oliver, Harry Bryant, N. A. Martin, Rachel Finley, Harley Estes, Tallmade Cutlip, Geo. W. Kirk, Chas. Gogert, E. Babcock, Garrett Elkins, E. Bryant, G. I. Horton, P. A. Kasey and C. V. Williams.

Circle No. 2 met at the home of Mrs. John Heggie with nine members present. Mrs. Heggie presided. Mrs. Frank Lair, Sr., was elected chairman and Mrs. George Shelby, secretary-treasurer.

The following are members of Circle 2: Misses Inez Andrews and Leila Harris, Mesdames Bob Burroughs, G. L. Jones, Reece Gillooly, Annie Harris, H. Cornwall, H. Mooring, Mildred Thrower, Ollie Daniels, F. J. Wilkinson, F. D. Lair, Sr., J. C. Butler, T. J. Johns, Moray Gaty, John Heggie, Nell Lett, Harry Crow, Lola Lovelace, Frank Vernon, Frank Sterrett, John Turner, W. B. Ragsdale, Oliver French and Leonard Hogue.

The Missionary Society will hold Circle meetings on each first Wednesday of the month.

Devotional meetings at the church on second Wednesdays.

Mission Study programs at the church on each third Wednesday.

Business sessions at the church on each fourth Wednesday and all day meetings at the church every quarter.

Charleston, January 5.—The following officers were installed at the regular meeting of the Past Noble Grand Association, held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Ramsey Walton:

Mrs. Ramsey Walton—President

Mrs. Celia Pate—Vice President

Mrs. Edna Caldwell—Warden

Mrs. T. J. Clack—Secretary

Mrs. E. T. Moon—Treasurer

Wm. Moreland left Sunday to spend a few days in St. Louis.

Mrs. E. C. Matthews and children visited relatives in Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

The members of this Circle are:

Misses Belle Lee, Mesdames Walter Rowe, Thos. Ogilvie, C. I. Lutz, Miles Lee, Spencer Love, Leslie Fox, J. H. Marshall, Sue Reid, Clarence Davis, Doss Lee, Bess Mulkey, T. J. Clack, A. J. Drinkwater, H. M. Crenshaw,

HABITS OF SIKESTON CAN BE READ FROM CHART IN MUNY LIGHT OFFICE

A young married man, one of the 1000 or more customers of the Municipal Light and Power Plant, stepped to the counter in the City Hall Saturday and said: "Look here, my light bill is running about 18 cents higher now than it did when we were first connected", meaning the house and the power plant.

Those in charge of the office have become used to hearing such complaints, and merely turn to a number of charts showing a series of jagged lines. From the charts one can rather accurately determine the habits of the city at work and at play, and determine, also, the reason for the 18 cent increase during winter months.

During the present months Sikeston begins to rouse from its sleep around 5 o'clock in the morning. The "light curve" on the chart takes a leap and between 6 and 7 o'clock, many electric stoves and nearly all lights in the city are turned on.

By 8 o'clock breakfast is over, the demands for power remain about constant until after 9 o'clock, and fluctuate until 11 at night when it drops off until the 5 o'clock hour again comes along.

Demands for lights, however, jump sky high between 5 and 7:30 o'clock in the morning. Then comes slump, and from 10 to 11 o'clock the curve takes another jump—Sikeston is cooking the noon meal. After 1 o'clock the curve drops off and remains steady until about 4:30 in the afternoon. Then lights here and there are being turned on, stoves are started for the evening meal, and by 6:00 o'clock the plant is pulling its peak load.

At 7 o'clock the curve dips slightly, but Pete Medley starts the show and the curve swings upward again, and remains so until after 11 o'clock, taps for the city. Sleep is in order.

The street light demand curve is a rather accurate index to the difference in light bills during the summer and winter months. During the so-called "dark months", the lights are turned on at 4:45 in the afternoon, and remain on until 6:30 o'clock in the morning, whereas in the summer time, the lights are not turned on until 7:30 to 8 o'clock, and at 5:15 in the morning, off they go.

In the summer, likewise, the demand peak is not reached until 9 or 10 o'clock, whereas in the winter it comes around 6 o'clock. The folks about town eat a cold lunch, sit around on porches or take a drive around the loop, and do not turn on lights, and the radio until late—such is the explanation for the late peak load in the summer.

One might summarize the reasons for slightly increased winter light bills by saying that winter months are the "radio" months" and that the total increased demands for light and power per day are about four hours.

SQUAKERS

Most of us are ready to fight for our village when away from home. We assure our patient listeners that we have the best town in the State of Missouri, size and everything else considered, but at home we are prone to indulge in occasional "family spats". These may take the form of griping about parking laws, merchants taxes, special taxes, and valuation, or it might be that we take the City Council over the coals, knock law enforcement, fuss about light and power rates, and burn the ears of those who are taking an active part in various social and civic enterprises.

Now let's take stock. We pay \$1.10 per \$100 city tax and \$1.85 school tax making a total of \$2.95.

Sikeston maintains its own waterworks plant, has a pretty fair fire department and still pays only \$1.10 for those and other city services while Illino, according to the Jimmick of January 7 has neither and pays \$4.32 on \$100 valuation.

Our merchants tax averages \$26 a year. It is higher than that in a few instances, and slightly lower in others. Last week the Missouri Herald, (Hayti) discussed action of the Council in that city relative to raising the license on peddlers. The merchants tax in Hayti today is \$50.25 per year. Comments are unnecessary.

An occasional growl is heard here about school taxes, yet they are no higher here than elsewhere, and school teachers are paid off in full each month. School warrants are redeemed 100 cents on the dollar. Efficient administration by the School Board has so arranged bond issues that one retiring issue "dove tails" into another series on the up-swing, thus keeping the levy, and the expenditure about on the level.

We hear the old slogan of "trade at home" again and again. We wonder, however, how many citizens use Scott County Mill Company products in

stead of shipped-in flour, feedstuffs, etc., how many women buy their hats and clothing at home, or have it purchased through a local concern, and how many make an effort to patronize the Sikeston Laundry instead of out-of-town concerns.

There is occasional criticism of those at the head of the Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club and organizations. For the most part the criticism is handed out by inactive members, who make no effort to transmit their ideas to those in charge, and who fail by the presence to get in harmony with the programs under consideration.

If every business man in town would make a conscious effort to drop a favorable word about banking facilities here, about the really excellent facilities for trading in lines other than his own, we could have a town worthy of our bragging about when we travel.

FROSH TRIM SOPHOS IN FRIENDLY CAGE GAME

Most of the members of any freshman high school class will admit that sophomores are not a whole lot smarter than first year students in any particular line of endeavor. The Sikeston high school first-year men proved their contention Friday afternoon when they met and defeated the sophomores five, 13 to 11 in basketball.

The lineup:

Freshman (13)	Sophomore (11)
Basil Hessling, g	Harry Harley, g
Venson Jones, g	Russell Jones, g
Paul Jones, c	Chas. A. Cook, c
Raymond Bandy, f	Merlin Taylor, f
G. W. Zacher, f	Walter Lankford, f

Bandy was the outstanding player for the freshman.

THOUSANDS OF FISHERMEN LIKE SPORT A LA ESKIMO

Devotees of the hook and line who think of fishing in terms of streams rippling under balmy breezes and surrounded by the green leaves of vacation time may not know that many thousands addicted to the sport in the north prefer to hover over holes cut in the ice, watching to spear fish a la Eskimo or to jerk them out on ice lines.

While most northern States have definite seasons and regulations governing this winter phase of the sport, many varieties of fish may be had by this method during practically all of the icy period. No State permits the use of lights as an aid to spearing fish or winter fishing in trout streams. Trout and black bass are reserved as the special joys of warmer-weather anglers, who choose fighting in ruffing water to shivering on ice.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Arterburn of Bicknell, Ind., are visiting his uncle, Dick Arterburn and wife here.

Mesdames Kate Harris, Kate Cook, John Tanner, Effie Hunter and Emma Kendall visited in Benton Friday afternoon.

Jake Schaefer of Dutchtown raised a large crop of turnips last fall and many of them weighing 5 pounds or better. Glenn Schaefer of Sikeston has a sample of this crop to show.



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SUNSET ADDITION

Last Sunday we witnessed a fine service at the first Baptist church (col.) Rev. L. Thompson began his for 1932 as pastor.

The second Baptist church, Dr. S. D. Woods, pastor, invites the public to the services at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Evangelist Jones will preach. Come and hear him.

Dr. Woods was invited to fill an engagement in Illinois.

The rainfall has been and is still of such nature that those of us who are depending upon picking cotton for daily bread begin to feel the need of dry weather or something else that we can make bread for our families. If we can get just a little work we won't beg bread. Who will come and bring a big truck and take us out into your cotton field? We will snap cotton so fast that you would think we were crazy.

Mr. Ellise of Troy is the guest of his son, Supt. Roy V. Ellise and wife.

The Book Club held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. B. F. Blanton, Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll had a few friends in for supper Friday evening.

Mrs. Wm. Smith returned Saturday from a week's visit to her daughter, Mrs. Charles Berthe in Charleston.

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Yes, we've watched. And we've wondered. And we've felt badly about the fact that these good citizens of Sikeston chose to shop outside of Sikeston.

It isn't that you merchants of Sikeston don't offer shopping means just as good as those of the stores in the nearby bigger towns. No, that's not at all the reason. Your merchandise is just as good. Your service, too, is every bit as good. Maybe better.

One reason is that the nearby bigger towns do a better job of attracting some of Sikeston's citizens to their stores.

Your job, then, you merchants of Sikeston, is to do some attracting of your own.

Puzzled wondering won't do it. Neither will mere talk. But advertising will. Not only your own advertising. But the

You need the advertising aid of the manufacturers whose goods you stock—urge their salesmen to recommend your local home newspaper.

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will bring back prosperity.We are of the opinion the facts
brought out by a Senate committee
at Washington in regard to bankers
and brokers and their transactions in
handling foreign bonds and unloading
them on their victims in the United
States when they had been warned by
authorities of their doubtful worth,
will do much to justify the public all
over the land in losing confidence in
bankers and brokers who deal in
these securities. These hyenas made
millions while the investors lost millions.The number of pages to be printed
by The Standard publisher will de-
pend entirely on the advertising pa-
tronage. There will never be less than
four pages of each issue twice-a-week.
We are willing and equipped to give
16 pages twice-a-week if backed with
patronage.Finnland voted against prohibition.
Well, it's natural for Fins to be wet.
—Dexter Statesman.It's cheaper to buy a hunting and
fishing license for one's friend than
it is to loan him one, two Missourians
learned last month. Fines of \$15 each
were assessed the two men who had
loaned their hunting permits. The
hunters who borrowed the licenses
also paid fines.

The Sikeston Standard, \$2 per year

THE EMPIRE OF THE AIR**MARCONI'S FOOT SLIPS**

Remember the ra-ta-ta of the wire-
less spark fifteen and twenty years
ago? Compared with the silent mod-
ern apparatus, wireless in those days
was a crude affair. It still relied on
the old telegraph system of interrupting
the electric current to create a
signal at the other end. Wireless
made an electric spark jump across a
gap; that spark had the same effect
as a stone thrown into a quiet pond.
It created electro-magnetic waves
which spread in every direction from
the point of origin at the speed of
light, 186,000 miles per second. A
long spark made a dash on the re-
ceiving apparatus; a short spark made
a dot. Various combinations of dots
and dashes spelled various letters of
the alphabet, just as they did when
sent over a telegraph wire. The in-
ternational distress signal SOS was
adopted because of its simplicity, S
being represented by three dots and O
by two dashes.

The original wireless receiving ap-
paratus was just as crude as the
sparking, crackling sender. Its main
part consisted of a glass tube filled
with tiny metal filings. The tube was
sealed with metal caps at both ends
and wires ran into these caps. When
the filings were lying undisturbed,
no current could pass through them and the wires were
dead. But when an electro-magnetic
wave coming through the ether got
into the glass tube, it neatly arranged
the metal filings end to end and pres-
to! they formed a conductor through
which an electric current could flow.
That current made the dot or dash
while it lasted. As soon as it stopped,
the tube was tapped automatically
with a little hammer, the filings
fell apart and got ready for the next
set of radio waves.

Maxwell had predicted, Hertz had
demonstrated the radio waves; Eng-

IS THIS SIKESTON?

We know of a town in Missouri
where depression is more of a joke
than a calamity. One business man
from that place tells the editor that
1931 was the biggest year in both
gross income and net profits which he
has enjoyed in the 20 years he has
lived there. No, he wasn't a bootlegger.
Merely a newspaper publisher. He also told of any number of other
business firms which went through
the year in his town making money every
week and looking back now upon 1931
as a period of prosperity. The only
explanation of that oasis is a desert
of dried up income is the number of
industries brought to it which kept
sufficient payrolls to boom every sort
of business. These industries were
not attracted to the town because of
its location, because of its people or
because of anything except that the
community was willing to pay the
money needed to get them. It's an old
saying that "money gets money", and
in the case of the town we have in
mind, a bargain was bought.—Shel-
bina Democrat.

The hammer looks exactly like a 2-
pound blacksmith's tool, and when
tossed carelessly into the lap of an un-
suspecting person, often causes
laughable results.

Such trick hammers and also furni-
ture often used in motion picture
comedies and during "realistic" West-
erns fights are made of the pith of
the picturesquely, otherwise known
as the Spanish bayonet, some of
which grows to a height of 30 feet.
An ordinary 16-pound office chair for
a movie set weighs about four ounces,
and can be bounced off the head of
the dashing hero without serious re-
sults.

AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

We are now in position to answer
the question "Of what is the hammer
made?" speaking of the feather
weight "hammer" John Sikes hurls
at his friends occasionally with pecu-
liar results.

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NATURE POME

The cow does not
Give milk all year
She takes a needed rest
She stands in her emporium
—a bovine moratorium.

Newspaper publishers are confront-
ed with many problems. Here's one.
The government-maintained postoffice
cockroaches ate the address label off
of several papers this week.

Lacy Allard wishes to inform his
friends that the 'E' in the middle of
his name does not stand for error.

There are two sides to everything.
Even the statue of Liberty has a few
prison cells located under the huge
towering figure.

"When we remember that words
are merely sounds, we shall conclude
that the idea of representing these
sounds by marks, so that whoever
should at any time after see the
marks would understand what sounds
they meant, was a bold and ingenious
creation".

In these words Abraham Lincoln
characterized the world's greatest
invention, the transmission of ideas,
experience, and knowledge through
written or printed characters.

Col. Shivel, the laundryman, was
pointing out prominent ? ? ? persons
about the other day to a fair one of
the opposite sex.

"And that's Art Wallhausen", quoth
the first.

"Yeah? And what's he ever done?"



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The European and American navies, in response to the Marconi Company's selling efforts, decided to install Marconi wireless apparatus. Commercial vessels could not buy, only lease Marconi machines, which had to be operated by Marconi men. Obviously no navy would tolerate foreign operators in its vital communications service. The Marconi company finally decided on an outright sale of apparatus to foreign navies, but the terms of this sale contract were considered so outrageously onerous that the European and American navies declined to buy and proceeded to encourage the development of wireless apparatus by their own nationals.

And that's how the American navy
got into the radio business.

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THE STANDARD, SIKESTON, MO.

came the snappy comeback.

Well, lady whoevyouare, once
upon a time we started to build a
mousetrap, but we've decided to find
a picture in our saucer instead. Talk
about a beaten path to your door!

The United States Government
should order the War vessel aboard
which are Mrs. Fortescue, Lieut.
Massie and two enlisted men, charged
with killing a mixed breed who
was one of five who repeatedly crimi-
nally assaulted the wife of Lieut.
Massie, who was the daughter of Mrs.
Fortescue, to proceed to San Francisco
where every honor of a home loving
people could be heaped upon them.
Any man with a drop of clean red
blood in his body should be willing to
defend his life, his home. Forty
women have been criminally assaulted
in Honolulu the past year and it
should be the duty of the soldiers and
sailors stationed in that port which is
a part of the United States, to shoot
like animals these half breeds who
prey on white women.

Excelsior Springs—J. C. Keith of
Kansas City, reopened Milwaukee
Feed Store, located on Milwaukee
Avenue.

According to the Dexter Statesman
Earl Newton and Anna Roemine of
Sikeston obtained a marriage license
in Stoddard County recently.

the film shown Sunday and Monday.
Some clever lines and temper scenes
were pulled, but the sensuous snug-
gling and loving could well have been
omitted. It was no place for a fellow
to take his girl.

Twenty thousand people paid \$20
apiece for admission to whoopee par-
ties that were held in Chicago's big
hotels on New Year Eve. This recalls
a remark Victor Hugo makes in that
greatest of novels, *Les Misérables*,
after describing the salutes fired as a
ship of war entered a home harbor
and after computing what the custom
costs the nations every year—"Mil-
lions for salutes, and the poor are
begging for bread!"—Paris Appeal.

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havens.

The hazards of outdoor miniature
golf courses may be hazards to play-
ers during the golfing season, but
they are helping dispel a number of
hazards for rabbits. Observers have
reported to the association that rab-
bits are finding the pipes, tunnels and
other underground passageways of

Grandview—H. O. Vest purchased
Alton Cafe, located at 8008 Paseo.

The residence of Atlas Peck was
discovered on fire yesterday and
might have been totally destroyed,
but for the timely arrival of Cricket
Hicks, who served valiantly as deputy
fire department.—Commercial Appeal

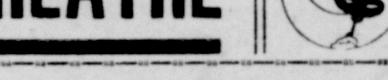


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